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Petitioner,

vs.

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CARTER OLSON, Judge of the
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in and for the County of Pinal,

Respondent Judge,

STATE OF ARIZONA,

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January 5, 1978
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STATE OF ARIZONA

vs

CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON

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This is the time set for Rendition of Verdict. Paul Lazarus, Deputy County Attorney, is present for the State. Defendant is present with Counsel, Peter Balkan. David Minder, Court Reporter, is present.

Defendant's Exhibit 5 is marked for identification and is stipulated directly into evidence - Original four-page report of Dr. Otto L. Bendheim.

This matter having been submitted to the Court for Rendition of Verdict based on Exhibits in evidence, Exhibits 1 through 5, and Defendant having waived trial by Jury, and this matter having been under advisement until this date, and the Court having considered all of the evidence submitted,

IT IS ORDERED finding Defendant not guilty by reason of insanity.

IT IS ORDERED directing the County Attorney, Civil Division, to commence civil commitment proceedings within ten days of this date in accordance with the statutes of this State, Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 36-501, and following, that a certified copy of this order is sufficient compliance with A.R.S. 36-501 to begin such proceedings.

Defendant may remain released pending civil proceedings.

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nia; brief psychotic disorder; delusional disorder; other specified or unspecified schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorder; schizotypal, schizoid, or paranoid personality disorders; autism spectrum disorder; disorders presenting in childhood with disorganized speech; attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder; obsessive-compulsive disorder; posttraumatic stress disorder; and traumatic brain injury.

Since the diagnostic criteria for schizophreniform disorder and schizophrenia differ primarily in duration of illness, the discussion of the differential diagnosis of schizophrenia also applies to schizophreniform disorder.

Brief psychotic disorder. Schizophreniform disorder differs in duration from brief psychotic disorder, which has a duration of less than 1 month.

Schizophrenia

Diagnostic Criteria	295.90 (F20.9)
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- A. Two (or more) of the following, each present for a significant portion of time during a 1-month period (or less if successfully treated). At least one of these must be (1), (2), or (3):
 - 1. Delusions.
 - 2. Hallucinations.
 - 3. Disorganized speech (e.g., frequent derailment or incoherence).
 - 4. Grossly disorganized or catatonic behavior.
 - 5. Negative symptoms (i.e., diminished emotional expression or avolition).
- B. For a significant portion of the time since the onset of the disturbance, level of functioning in one or more major areas, such as work, interpersonal relations, or self-care, is markedly below the level achieved prior to the onset (or when the onset is in childhood or adolescence, there is failure to achieve expected level of interpersonal, academic, or occupational functioning).
- C. Continuous signs of the disturbance persist for at least 6 months. This 6-month period must include at least 1 month of symptoms (or less if successfully treated) that meet Criterion A (i.e., active-phase symptoms) and may include periods of prodromal or residual symptoms. During these prodromal or residual periods, the signs of the disturbance may be manifested by only negative symptoms or by two or more symptoms listed in Criterion A present in an attenuated form (e.g., odd beliefs, unusual perceptual experiences).
- D. Schizoaffective disorder and depressive or bipolar disorder with psychotic features have been ruled out because either 1) no major depressive or manic episodes have occurred concurrently with the active-phase symptoms, or 2) if mood episodes have occurred during active-phase symptoms, they have been present for a minority of the total duration of the active and residual periods of the illness.
- E. The disturbance is not attributable to the physiological effects of a substance (e.g., a drug of abuse, a medication) or another medical condition.
- F. If there is a history of autism spectrum disorder or a communication disorder of childhood onset, the additional diagnosis of schizophrenia is made only if prominent delusions or hallucinations, in addition to the other required symptoms of schizophrenia, are also present for at least 1 month (or less if successfully treated).

Specify if:

The following course specifiers are only to be used after a 1-year duration of the disorder and if they are not in contradiction to the diagnostic course criteria.

First episode, currently in acute episode: First manifestation of the disorder meeting the defining diagnostic symptom and time criteria. An *acute episode* is a time period in which the symptom criteria are fulfilled.

First episode, currently in partial remission: *Partial remission* is a period of time during which an improvement after a previous episode is maintained and in which the defining criteria of the disorder are only partially fulfilled.

First episode, currently in full remission: *Full remission* is a period of time after a previous episode during which no disorder-specific symptoms are present.

Multiple episodes, currently in acute episode: Multiple episodes may be determined after a minimum of two episodes (i.e., after a first episode, a remission and a minimum of one relapse).

Multiple episodes, currently in partial remission

Multiple episodes, currently in full remission

Continuous: Symptoms fulfilling the diagnostic symptom criteria of the disorder are remaining for the majority of the illness course, with subthreshold symptom periods being very brief relative to the overall course.

Unspecified

Specify if:

With catatonia (refer to the criteria for catatonia associated with another mental disorder, pp. 119–120, for definition).

Coding note: Use additional code 293.89 (F06.1) catatonia associated with schizophrenia to indicate the presence of the comorbid catatonia.

Specify current severity:

Severity is rated by a quantitative assessment of the primary symptoms of psychosis, including delusions, hallucinations, disorganized speech, abnormal psychomotor behavior, and negative symptoms. Each of these symptoms may be rated for its current severity (most severe in the last 7 days) on a 5-point scale ranging from 0 (not present) to 4 (present and severe). (See Clinician-Rated Dimensions of Psychosis Symptom Severity in the chapter “Assessment Measures.”)

Note: Diagnosis of schizophrenia can be made without using this severity specifier.

Diagnostic Features

The characteristic symptoms of schizophrenia involve a range of cognitive, behavioral, and emotional dysfunctions, but no single symptom is pathognomonic of the disorder. The diagnosis involves the recognition of a constellation of signs and symptoms associated with impaired occupational or social functioning. Individuals with the disorder will vary substantially on most features, as schizophrenia is a heterogeneous clinical syndrome.

At least two Criterion A symptoms must be present for a significant portion of time during a 1-month period or longer. At least one of these symptoms must be the clear presence of delusions (Criterion A1), hallucinations (Criterion A2), or disorganized speech (Criterion A3). Grossly disorganized or catatonic behavior (Criterion A4) and negative symptoms (Criterion A5) may also be present. In those situations in which the active-phase symptoms remit within a month in response to treatment, Criterion A is still met if the clinician estimates that they would have persisted in the absence of treatment.

Schizophrenia involves impairment in one or more major areas of functioning (Criterion B). If the disturbance begins in childhood or adolescence, the expected level of function is not attained. Comparing the individual with unaffected siblings may be helpful. The dysfunction persists for a substantial period during the course of the disorder and does not appear to be a direct result of any single feature. Avolition (i.e., reduced drive to pursue goal-directed behavior; Criterion A5) is linked to the social dysfunction described under Criterion B. There is also strong evidence for a relationship between cognitive impairment (see the section “Associated Features Supporting Diagnosis” for this disorder) and functional impairment in individuals with schizophrenia.

Some signs of the disturbance must persist for a continuous period of at least 6 months (Criterion C). Prodromal symptoms often precede the active phase, and residual symptoms may follow it, characterized by mild or subthreshold forms of hallucinations or delusions. Individuals may express a variety of unusual or odd beliefs that are not of delusional proportions (e.g., ideas of reference or magical thinking); they may have unusual perceptual experiences (e.g., sensing the presence of an unseen person); their speech may be generally understandable but vague; and their behavior may be unusual but not grossly disorganized (e.g., mumbling in public). Negative symptoms are common in the prodromal and residual phases and can be severe. Individuals who had been socially active may become withdrawn from previous routines. Such behaviors are often the first sign of a disorder.

Mood symptoms and full mood episodes are common in schizophrenia and may be concurrent with active-phase symptomatology. However, as distinct from a psychotic mood disorder, a schizophrenia diagnosis requires the presence of delusions or hallucinations in the absence of mood episodes. In addition, mood episodes, taken in total, should be present for only a minority of the total duration of the active and residual periods of the illness.

In addition to the five symptom domain areas identified in the diagnostic criteria, the assessment of cognition, depression, and mania symptom domains is vital for making critically important distinctions between the various schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders.

Associated Features Supporting Diagnosis

Individuals with schizophrenia may display inappropriate affect (e.g., laughing in the absence of an appropriate stimulus); a dysphoric mood that can take the form of depression, anxiety, or anger; a disturbed sleep pattern (e.g., daytime sleeping and nighttime activity); and a lack of interest in eating or food refusal. Depersonalization, derealization, and somatic concerns may occur and sometimes reach delusional proportions. Anxiety and phobias are common. Cognitive deficits in schizophrenia are common and are strongly linked to vocational and functional impairments. These deficits can include decrements in declarative memory, working memory, language function, and other executive functions, as well as slower processing speed. Abnormalities in sensory processing and inhibitory capacity, as well as reductions in attention, are also found. Some individuals with schizophrenia show social cognition deficits, including deficits in the ability to infer the intentions of other people (theory of mind), and may attend to and then interpret irrelevant events or stimuli as meaningful, perhaps leading to the generation of explanatory delusions. These impairments frequently persist during symptomatic remission.

Some individuals with psychosis may lack insight or awareness of their disorder (i.e., anosognosia). This lack of “insight” includes unawareness of symptoms of schizophrenia and may be present throughout the entire course of the illness. Unawareness of illness is typically a symptom of schizophrenia itself rather than a coping strategy. It is comparable to the lack of awareness of neurological deficits following brain damage, termed *anosognosia*. This symptom is the most common predictor of non-adherence to treatment, and it predicts higher relapse rates, increased number of involuntary treatments, poorer psychosocial functioning, aggression, and a poorer course of illness.

Hostility and aggression can be associated with schizophrenia, although spontaneous or random assault is uncommon. Aggression is more frequent for younger males and for individuals with a past history of violence, non-adherence with treatment, substance abuse, and impulsivity. It should be noted that the vast majority of persons with schizophrenia are not aggressive and are more frequently victimized than are individuals in the general population.

Currently, there are no radiological, laboratory, or psychometric tests for the disorder. Differences are evident in multiple brain regions between groups of healthy individuals

and persons with schizophrenia, including evidence from neuroimaging, neuropathological, and neurophysiological studies. Differences are also evident in cellular architecture, white matter connectivity, and gray matter volume in a variety of regions such as the prefrontal and temporal cortices. Reduced overall brain volume has been observed, as well as increased brain volume reduction with age. Brain volume reductions with age are more pronounced in individuals with schizophrenia than in healthy individuals. Finally, individuals with schizophrenia appear to differ from individuals without the disorder in eye-tracking and electrophysiological indices.

Neurological soft signs common in individuals with schizophrenia include impairments in motor coordination, sensory integration, and motor sequencing of complex movements; left-right confusion; and disinhibition of associated movements. In addition, minor physical anomalies of the face and limbs may occur.

Prevalence

The lifetime prevalence of schizophrenia appears to be approximately 0.3%–0.7%, although there is reported variation by race/ethnicity, across countries, and by geographic origin for immigrants and children of immigrants. The sex ratio differs across samples and populations: for example, an emphasis on negative symptoms and longer duration of disorder (associated with poorer outcome) shows higher incidence rates for males, whereas definitions allowing for the inclusion of more mood symptoms and brief presentations (associated with better outcome) show equivalent risks for both sexes.

Development and Course

The psychotic features of schizophrenia typically emerge between the late teens and the mid-30s; onset prior to adolescence is rare. The peak age at onset for the first psychotic episode is in the early- to mid-20s for males and in the late-20s for females. The onset may be abrupt or insidious, but the majority of individuals manifest a slow and gradual development of a variety of clinically significant signs and symptoms. Half of these individuals complain of depressive symptoms. Earlier age at onset has traditionally been seen as a predictor of worse prognosis. However, the effect of age at onset is likely related to gender, with males having worse premorbid adjustment, lower educational achievement, more prominent negative symptoms and cognitive impairment, and in general a worse outcome. Impaired cognition is common, and alterations in cognition are present during development and precede the emergence of psychosis, taking the form of stable cognitive impairments during adulthood. Cognitive impairments may persist when other symptoms are in remission and contribute to the disability of the disease.

The predictors of course and outcome are largely unexplained, and course and outcome may not be reliably predicted. The course appears to be favorable in about 20% of those with schizophrenia, and a small number of individuals are reported to recover completely. However, most individuals with schizophrenia still require formal or informal daily living supports, and many remain chronically ill, with exacerbations and remissions of active symptoms, while others have a course of progressive deterioration.

Psychotic symptoms tend to diminish over the life course, perhaps in association with normal age-related declines in dopamine activity. Negative symptoms are more closely related to prognosis than are positive symptoms and tend to be the most persistent. Furthermore, cognitive deficits associated with the illness may not improve over the course of the illness.

The essential features of schizophrenia are the same in childhood, but it is more difficult to make the diagnosis. In children, delusions and hallucinations may be less elaborate than in adults, and visual hallucinations are more common and should be distinguished from normal fantasy play. Disorganized speech occurs in many disorders with childhood onset (e.g., autism spectrum disorder), as does disorganized behavior (e.g., attention-deficit/

hyperactivity disorder). These symptoms should not be attributed to schizophrenia without due consideration of the more common disorders of childhood. Childhood-onset cases tend to resemble poor-outcome adult cases, with gradual onset and prominent negative symptoms. Children who later receive the diagnosis of schizophrenia are more likely to have experienced nonspecific emotional-behavioral disturbances and psychopathology, intellectual and language alterations, and subtle motor delays.

Late-onset cases (i.e., onset after age 40 years) are overrepresented by females, who may have married. Often, the course is characterized by a predominance of psychotic symptoms with preservation of affect and social functioning. Such late-onset cases can still meet the diagnostic criteria for schizophrenia, but it is not yet clear whether this is the same condition as schizophrenia diagnosed prior to mid-life (e.g., prior to age 55 years).

Risk and Prognostic Factors

Environmental. Season of birth has been linked to the incidence of schizophrenia, including late winter/early spring in some locations and summer for the deficit form of the disease. The incidence of schizophrenia and related disorders is higher for children growing up in an urban environment and for some minority ethnic groups.

Genetic and physiological. There is a strong contribution for genetic factors in determining risk for schizophrenia, although most individuals who have been diagnosed with schizophrenia have no family history of psychosis. Liability is conferred by a spectrum of risk alleles, common and rare, with each allele contributing only a small fraction to the total population variance. The risk alleles identified to date are also associated with other mental disorders, including bipolar disorder, depression, and autism spectrum disorder.

Pregnancy and birth complications with hypoxia and greater paternal age are associated with a higher risk of schizophrenia for the developing fetus. In addition, other prenatal and perinatal adversities, including stress, infection, malnutrition, maternal diabetes, and other medical conditions, have been linked with schizophrenia. However, the vast majority of offspring with these risk factors do not develop schizophrenia.

Culture-Related Diagnostic Issues

Cultural and socioeconomic factors must be considered, particularly when the individual and the clinician do not share the same cultural and socioeconomic background. Ideas that appear to be delusional in one culture (e.g., witchcraft) may be commonly held in another. In some cultures, visual or auditory hallucinations with a religious content (e.g., hearing God's voice) are a normal part of religious experience. In addition, the assessment of disorganized speech may be made difficult by linguistic variation in narrative styles across cultures. The assessment of affect requires sensitivity to differences in styles of emotional expression, eye contact, and body language, which vary across cultures. If the assessment is conducted in a language that is different from the individual's primary language, care must be taken to ensure that alogia is not related to linguistic barriers. In certain cultures, distress may take the form of hallucinations or pseudo-hallucinations and overvalued ideas that may present clinically similar to true psychosis but are normative to the patient's subgroup.

Gender-Related Diagnostic Issues

A number of features distinguish the clinical expression of schizophrenia in females and males. The general incidence of schizophrenia tends to be slightly lower in females, particularly among treated cases. The age at onset is later in females, with a second mid-life peak as described earlier (see the section "Development and Course" for this disorder). Symptoms tend to be more affect-laden among females, and there are more psychotic symptoms, as well as a greater propensity for psychotic symptoms to worsen in later life.

Other symptom differences include less frequent negative symptoms and disorganization. Finally, social functioning tends to remain better preserved in females. There are, however, frequent exceptions to these general caveats.

Suicide Risk

Approximately 5%–6% of individuals with schizophrenia die by suicide, about 20% attempt suicide on one or more occasions, and many more have significant suicidal ideation. Suicidal behavior is sometimes in response to command hallucinations to harm oneself or others. Suicide risk remains high over the whole lifespan for males and females, although it may be especially high for younger males with comorbid substance use. Other risk factors include having depressive symptoms or feelings of hopelessness and being unemployed, and the risk is higher, also, in the period after a psychotic episode or hospital discharge.

Functional Consequences of Schizophrenia

Schizophrenia is associated with significant social and occupational dysfunction. Making educational progress and maintaining employment are frequently impaired by avolition or other disorder manifestations, even when the cognitive skills are sufficient for the tasks at hand. Most individuals are employed at a lower level than their parents, and most, particularly men, do not marry or have limited social contacts outside of their family.

Differential Diagnosis

Major depressive or bipolar disorder with psychotic or catatonic features. The distinction between schizophrenia and major depressive or bipolar disorder with psychotic features or with catatonia depends on the temporal relationship between the mood disturbance and the psychosis, and on the severity of the depressive or manic symptoms. If delusions or hallucinations occur exclusively during a major depressive or manic episode, the diagnosis is depressive or bipolar disorder with psychotic features.

Schizoaffective disorder. A diagnosis of schizoaffective disorder requires that a major depressive or manic episode occur concurrently with the active-phase symptoms and that the mood symptoms be present for a majority of the total duration of the active periods.

Schizophreniform disorder and brief psychotic disorder. These disorders are of shorter duration than schizophrenia as specified in Criterion C, which requires 6 months of symptoms. In schizophreniform disorder, the disturbance is present less than 6 months, and in brief psychotic disorder, symptoms are present at least 1 day but less than 1 month.

Delusional disorder. Delusional disorder can be distinguished from schizophrenia by the absence of the other symptoms characteristic of schizophrenia (e.g., delusions, prominent auditory or visual hallucinations, disorganized speech, grossly disorganized or catatonic behavior, negative symptoms).

Schizotypal personality disorder. Schizotypal personality disorder may be distinguished from schizophrenia by subthreshold symptoms that are associated with persistent personality features.

Obsessive-compulsive disorder and body dysmorphic disorder. Individuals with obsessive-compulsive disorder and body dysmorphic disorder may present with poor or absent insight, and the preoccupations may reach delusional proportions. But these disorders are distinguished from schizophrenia by their prominent obsessions, compulsions, preoccupations with appearance or body odor, hoarding, or body-focused repetitive behaviors.

Posttraumatic stress disorder. Posttraumatic stress disorder may include flashbacks that have a hallucinatory quality, and hypervigilance may reach paranoid proportions. But a trauma-

matic event and characteristic symptom features relating to reliving or reacting to the event are required to make the diagnosis.

Autism spectrum disorder or communication disorders. These disorders may also have symptoms resembling a psychotic episode but are distinguished by their respective deficits in social interaction with repetitive and restricted behaviors and other cognitive and communication deficits. An individual with autism spectrum disorder or communication disorder must have symptoms that meet full criteria for schizophrenia, with prominent hallucinations or delusions for at least 1 month, in order to be diagnosed with schizophrenia as a comorbid condition.

Other mental disorders associated with a psychotic episode. The diagnosis of schizophrenia is made only when the psychotic episode is persistent and not attributable to the physiological effects of a substance or another medical condition. Individuals with a delirium or major or minor neurocognitive disorder may present with psychotic symptoms, but these would have a temporal relationship to the onset of cognitive changes consistent with those disorders. Individuals with substance/medication-induced psychotic disorder may present with symptoms characteristic of Criterion A for schizophrenia, but the substance/medication-induced psychotic disorder can usually be distinguished by the chronological relationship of substance use to the onset and remission of the psychosis in the absence of substance use.

Comorbidity

Rates of comorbidity with substance-related disorders are high in schizophrenia. Over half of individuals with schizophrenia have tobacco use disorder and smoke cigarettes regularly. Comorbidity with anxiety disorders is increasingly recognized in schizophrenia. Rates of obsessive-compulsive disorder and panic disorder are elevated in individuals with schizophrenia compared with the general population. Schizotypal or paranoid personality disorder may sometimes precede the onset of schizophrenia.

Life expectancy is reduced in individuals with schizophrenia because of associated medical conditions. Weight gain, diabetes, metabolic syndrome, and cardiovascular and pulmonary disease are more common in schizophrenia than in the general population. Poor engagement in health maintenance behaviors (e.g., cancer screening, exercise) increases the risk of chronic disease, but other disorder factors, including medications, lifestyle, cigarette smoking, and diet, may also play a role. A shared vulnerability for psychosis and medical disorders may explain some of the medical comorbidity of schizophrenia.

Schizoaffective Disorder

Diagnostic Criteria

- A. An uninterrupted period of illness during which there is a major mood episode (major depressive or manic) concurrent with Criterion A of schizophrenia.

Note: The major depressive episode must include Criterion A1: Depressed mood.
- B. Delusions or hallucinations for 2 or more weeks in the absence of a major mood episode (depressive or manic) during the lifetime duration of the illness.
- C. Symptoms that meet criteria for a major mood episode are present for the majority of the total duration of the active and residual portions of the illness.
- D. The disturbance is not attributable to the effects of a substance (e.g., a drug of abuse, a medication) or another medical condition.

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7 SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA

8 PINAL COUNTY

9 CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON,

10 Prison No. 38977,

11 Petitioner,

12 v.

13 TIM MURPHY,

14 Deputy Warden,

15 Respondent.

No. CV94041734

PETITION FOR WRIT OF

HABEAS CORPUS AND

AFFIDAVIT

JAMES E. DON

16 TO: Pinal County Superior Court

17 Clarence Wayne Dixon petitions for issuance of a writ of
18 habeas corpus as follows:

19 I.

20 This court has jurisdiction pursuant to A.R.S. § 13-4121 et
21 seq., Arizona Constitution, Art. 6, § 18; and the United States
22 Constitution, Art. I § 9.

23 II.

24 Petitioner is currently incarcerated in the Arizona State
25 Prison, Central Unit, Florence, Arizona, as Prisoner No. 38977,
26 by the respondent Tim Murphy, who is Deputy Warden.

27 III.

28 Petitioner was taken into custody on June 10, 1985, by a
Flagstaff City Police Officer in the County of Coconino as a

1 suspect in the sexual assault of a Northern Arizona University
2 (NAU) student. The same day, petitioner was handed over to NAU
3 police officers who investigated the assault almost in its
4 entirety. On December 19, 1985, in Case No. 11654, petitioner
5 was found guilty by jury trial of Aggravated Assault, A.R.S. §
6 13-1204(A)(2); Kidnapping, A.R.S. § 13-1304(A)(3); Sexual Abuse,
7 A.R.S. § 13-1404; and 4 counts of Sexual Assault, A.R.S. § 13-
8 1406; all dangerous offenses committed while on parole. On
9 January 6, 1986, petitioner was sentenced to 7 consecutive life
10 sentences. Petitioner appealed his convictions and sentences all
11 of which were affirmed in State v. Dixon, 153 Ariz. 151, 735 P.2d
12 761 (1987).

13 On July 2, 1991, petitioner heard through the news media of
14 a challenge to the University of Arizona Police Department's
15 legal authority in a DUI case. On July 31, 1991, petitioner
16 filed his first post-conviction relief (PCR) petition in the
17 Coconino County Superior Court.

18 Petitioner's PCR petition was denied at the trial and Court
19 of Appeals levels. The Supreme Court denied review on August 31,
20 1993 without opinion or citation to authorities. Petitioner
21 through Counsel Michael Reddig filed an untimely motion for
22 reconsideration in the Court of Appeals and petitioner, in fear
23 of procedural default, filed a pro se supplement to motion for
24 reconsideration and a petition for writ of habeas corpus in the
25 state supreme court. The supplement to motion for reconsideration
26 was denied along with the motion for reconsideration on February
27 3, 1993. The petition for writ of habeas corpus along with a

1 pro se motion to supplement and consolidate petition for writ of
 2 habeas corpus to 1 CA-CR 92-0171-PR, No. 11654, were dismissed
 3 and denied respectively on April 15, 1993.

4 Petitioner presented his claim challenging legal basis of
 5 the NAU Police Department throughout his PCR proceeding and has
 6 no other petitions, applications or motions pending in any state
 7 or federal court concerning this claim.

8 IV.

9 Petitioner is illegally confined because NAU campus security
 10 officers were without statutory authority to enforce the laws of
 11 the State of Arizona. Their substantial investigation concluding
 12 with the introduction of verbal and physical evidence at
 13 petitioner's trial was in violation of the exclusionary due
 14 process provisions of the federal and state constitutions. This
 15 substantive error deprived the trial court of jurisdiction thus
 16 nullifying petitioner's convictions and sentences.

17 Petitioner further claims ineffective assistance of counsel
 18 at the appellate level in his first Rule 32 PCR proceeding.

19 WHEREFORE, the petitioner asks that the clerk of the court
 20 be ordered to issue a Writ of Habeas Corpus directing the
 21 respondent Tim Murphy, Deputy Warden, to have the body and person
 22 of Clarence Wayne Dixon before this court at a time and place
 23 certain, to show cause why the petitioner should not be released.

24 Respectfully submitted this 30th day of January 1994.

25 Clarence W. Dixon

26 Clarence W. Dixon, in pro per.

1 STATE OF ARIZONA)
 2 County of Pinal) ss.

3 Clarence Wayne Dixon, upon being duly sworn, deposes and
 4 says: I am the petitioner in the foregoing petition for writ of
 5 habeas corpus. I am aware of the contents of the petition and
 6 all statements in it are true and correct to the best of my
 7 knowledge, information and belief.

8
 9 Clarence W. Dixon

10 Clarence W. Dixon, petitioner.

11 SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 30th day of January
 12 1994.

13 Manuel G. Ramirez
 14 Notary Public

15 My Commission Expires July 13, 1997

16 My Commission Expires:

17 MEMORANDUM OF AUTHORITIES

18 I.

19 The issue brought by way of this petition for writ of habeas
 20 corpus is whether the NAU Police Department has the statutory
 21 authority to conduct criminal investigations at the time of
 22 petitioner's arrest.

23 Petitioner requests the court take judicial notice of the
 24 following six facts. Ariz. Rules of Evid., Rule 201(b) and (d).

25 1) A.R.S. § 15-1626(A)(2)(Added by Laws 1981, Ch. 1 § 2,
 26 eff. January 23, 1981) was and is statute applicable on or about
 27 June 10, 1985.

1 2) A.R.S. § 15-1627(Added by Laws 1981, Ch. 1 § 2, eff.
2 January 23, 1981) was and is statute applicable on or about
3 June 10, 1985. See Exhibit A.

4 3) NAU and its security officers were and are under the
5 jurisdiction of the Arizona Board of Regents.

6 4) A.R.S. § 1-215(23)(Added by Laws 1981, Ch. 1 § 28, eff.
7 July 25, 1981) was and is statute applicable on or about June 10,
8 1985. See Exhibit B.

9 5) Petitioner was arrested June 10, 1985.

10 6) A.R.S. §§ 1-215(23) and 15-1627 were amended by the 37th
11 Legislature, First Regular Session, Laws 1985, Ch. 280, effective
12 August 7, 1985. See Exhibit D.

13 On September 5, 1991, by mail, petitioner informed appointed
14 counsel Linda M. Houle that the relevant statutes read quite
15 differently than the statutes as interpreted by the courts in
16 Goode v. Alfred, 171 Ariz. 94, 828 P.2d 1235 (App. 1991). See
17 Exhibit E.

18 Some of this information was incorporated in petitioner's
19 December 12, 1991 Reply to State's Response and his December 24,
20 1991 Motion for Rehearing. See Exhibits F and G.

21 The Honorable Judge Richard K. Mangum in his Minute Entry
22 Order of December 16, 1991, addressing NAU Police Department's
23 authority, stated:

24 The authority cited by Defendant, a Justice of the Peace
25 Court opinion, has been reversed by the Arizona Court of Appeals;
26 so there was no reason for counsel to raise this issue at trial,
27 as the law was and is against him.

28 See Exhibit H.

1 The Honorable Judge Mangum completely ignores or fails to
2 note petitioner's assertion that amended 1981 statute was then
3 applicable as pointed out in petitioner's Reply to State's
4 Response wherein Counsel Houle for petitioner stated:

5 A.R.S. § 1-215(23), as amended in 1985, then, clearly defines
6 University police as peace officers. As it existed at the time
7 of defendant's arrest, however, A.R.S. § 1-215(23) defined peace
8 officers as "sheriffs of counties, constables, marshalls,
9 policemen of cities and towns, and commissioned personnel of the
10 Department of Public Safety." The version of A.R.S. § 1-215(23)
11 cited in the Goode case was enacted in June of 1985 and became
12 effective in August of 1985, after defendant's alleged offense.
13 Goode is not, therefore, dispositive of the issues raised by
14 petition.

15 Counsel Houle's reiteration of petitioner's claim in his
16 Motion for Rehearing was again ignored by the Honorable Judge
17 Mangum. See Exhibit I.

18 On January 17, 1992, petitioner filed his PCR Petition for
19 Review from Superior Court. In its December 3, 1992 Memorandum
20 Decision, the Court of Appeals, Div. One, at page 4, stated:

21 Regarding the NAU Police Department's authority, Dixon
22 relies upon a now-reversed opinion by a justice of the peace on
23 the jurisdiction of campus police. This authority is no longer
24 the law. Goode v. Alfred, 171 Ariz. 94, 828 P.2d 1235 (App.1991).
25 See Exhibit J.

26 Upholding Judge Mangum's finding, the Court of Appeals also
27 relied upon Goode v. Alfred, supra, in its determination of the
28 NAU Police Department's authority.

29 The Goode court supported its conclusion that the Board had
30 statutory authority to establish a police force "by A.R.S. § 1-
31 215(23), which, by amendment in 1985,..." 171 Ariz. at 96, 828
32 P.2d at 1237. (Emphasis added.) Historical research of A.R.S. §
33 1-215(23) would have confirmed petitioner's contention

1 that amended 1981 A.R.S. § 1-215(23) applied to his case.

2 In failing to adequately investigate fact that there were
3 changes in the law as asserted by petitioner, and applying the
4 future law of Goode to his case, both Judge Mangum and the Court
5 of Appeals abused their judicial functions and duties as to a
6 question of law. State v. Chapple, 135 Ariz. 281, 297 n.18,
7 660 P.2d 1208, 1224 n.18 (1983); H.M.L. v. State, 131 Ariz. 385,
8 387, 641 P.2d 873, 875 (1981).

9 Unless a statute is expressly declared to be retroactive, it
10 will not govern events that occurred before its effective date.
11 See A.R.S. § 1-244; State v. Edwards, 136 Ariz. 177, 185, 665
12 P.2d 59, 67 (1983)(statute in effect at time of the crime is
13 applicable); State v. LaPonsie, 136 Ariz. 73, 75-76, 664 P.2d
14 223, 225-26 (App. 1983)(applying A.R.S. § 1-244); Corella v.
15 Superior Court In & For Pima Cty., 144 Ariz. 418, 420, 698 P.2d
16 213, 215 (App. 1985)(statute shown not to apply retroactively).
17 Petitioner can find nothing in the amended 1985 provisions of
18 A.R.S.- § 15-1627 and § 1-215(23) which indicates an intent by the
19 legislature to make the amended 1985 statutes retroactive. See
20 Allen v. Fisher, 118 Ariz. 95, 574 P.2d 1314 (App. 1977).

21 Were NAU police without statutory authority to conduct crim-
22 inal investigations at time of arrest? Petitioner offers the
23 following facts and arguments in support of his allegation.

24 1) NAU police officers (R.T. 12/17-18/85, 146, 205, 209)
25 obtained physical evidence, interviewed witnesses and the victim
26 (R.T. 12/17/85, 169, 174-75), acquired and executed a court order
27 and two search warrants (R.T. 12/17-18/85, 169, 179, 182, 209),
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1 commanded a crime scene search team (R.T. 12/17/85, 175), one
2 officer as primary investigator (R.T. 12/17/85, 174), and two
3 officers testifying at petitioner's trial (R.T. 12/17-18/85, 146,
4 205). See Exhibit K.

5 2) Nowhere in the applicable A.R.S. § 15-1627 does it state
6 that campus security officers had authority to enforce the laws
7 of the State of Arizona. In fact, Paragraph F states:

8 The security officers of each of the institutions shall have
9 the authority and power of peace officers for the protection of
10 property under the jurisdiction of the board, the prevention of
11 trespass, the maintenance of peace and order, only insofar as may
12 be prescribed by law, and in enforcing the regulations respecting
13 vehicles upon the property.

14 Paragraph F is a strictly limiting provision concerning the power
15 and authority of the security officers. Likewise, in the same
16 section, at Paragraph G, it states:

17 The designation as "peace officers" shall be deemed to be a
18 peace officer only for the purpose of this section.

19 Both Paragraphs F and G expressly limit the security officers'
20 scope of authority and no provision is provided for the enforce-
21 ment of the laws, just regulations respecting vehicles. An
22 agency, as creature of statute, has only such power and authority
23 as has been conferred upon it by its organic legislature.

24 Flowing Wells School Dist. v. Vail Sch. Dist., 145 Ariz. 273, 700
25 P.2d 1378 (App. 1985); Corella v. Superior Court In & For Pima
26 County, supra; Kendall v. Malcolm, 98 Ariz. 329, 404 P.2d 141
27 (1965). Without a statute expressly conferring law enforcement
28 authority and the strictly limiting provisions contained in
Paragraphs F and G, petitioner contends NAU security officers
were without the requisite statutory authority to conduct

1 criminal investigations.

2 3) Since A.R.S. § 15-1627(G) limited the security officers'
3 purposes only to that section, and law enforcement not being one
4 of the purposes; other statutes could not have been utilized.
5 E.g., A.R.S. § 13-3911, Search Warrants. Therefore, it follows
6 that the security officers' execution of a court order and two
7 search warrants were without legal basis, and physical and verbal
8 evidence gathered and introduced at petitioner's trial should
9 have been excluded as fruits of an unlawful search and seizure.
10 Wong Sun v. United States, 371 U.S. 471, 83 S.Ct. 407, 9 L.Ed.2d
11 441 (1963); and its progeny. Cf, Brewer v. State, 286 Ark. 1,
12 688 S.W.2d 736 (1985). See Exhibit L. Provisions of U.S.C.A.
13 Const.Amend. 4 (Search & Seizure) are applicable to states
14 through due process clause of U.S.C.A. 14. State v. Tellez, 6
15 Ariz.App. 251, 431 P.2d 691 (1967). By acting outside statutory
16 authority, the NAU Police Department deprived petitioner of his
17 liberty and property in violation of his substantive due process
18 rights guaranteed him by the 14th Amendment, United States Const.,
19 and the Arizona Const., Art. 2, § 4.

20 4) At the time of petitioner's arrest, NAU police were not
21 included in the provisions of A.R.S. § 1-215(23). See Exhibit B.

22 5) Petitioner contends the 1981 State legislature had no
23 intent to confer full peace officer status upon NAU security
24 officers since A.R.S. § 1-215(23) was amended to add: "and
25 commissioned officers of the department of public safety.", some
26 seven months after amended changes to § 15-1627, when inclusion
27 of the security officers would have been most appropriate. In
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1 determining legislative intent, court may examine both prior and
2 subsequent statutes 'in pari materia'. Isley v. School District,
3 81 Ariz. 280, 305 P.2d 432 (1956). That the State legislature
4 did not include campus security officers within § 1-215(23)
5 provides further substantiation that these officers were without
6 full peace officer status and, thus, the requisite authority to
7 conduct criminal investigations.

8 6) The Court of Appeals' Memorandum Decision (Exhibit J)
9 labeled the NAU Police Department's authority as "jurisdiction"
10 (page 2) and as "the jurisdiction of campus police" (page 4).
11 Considered in this context, "A court's jurisdiction at the
12 beginning of trial may be lost 'in the course of the proceedings'
13 due to a failure to complete the court...". Johnson v. Zerbst,
14 304 U.S. 458, 468, 58 S.Ct. 1019 (1938)(6th Amendment violation).
15 If the NAU security officers lacked proper authority, then a 14th
16 Amendment violation occurred and the trial court subsequently
17 loss its jurisdiction. A.R.S. § 13-4132(1),(3); State v. Montez,
18 102 Ariz. 444, 432 P.2d 456 (1967). Jurisdiction is derivative,
19 Anonymous Wife v. Anonymous Husband, 153 Ariz. 570, 739 P.2d 791
20 (1986); Webb v. Charles, 125 Ariz. 558, 611 P.2d 562 (1980); In
21 re Estate of Alfaro, 18 Ariz.App. 173, 500 P.2d 1161 (1972); and
22 Piley v. County of Cochise, 10 Ariz.App. 55, 455 P.2d 1005 (1969).

23 Application of law shows petitioner's claim to be meritor-
24 ious, yet petitioner believes the trial and appellate courts
25 refused and ignored applying relevant law because of the horrend-
26 ous nature of sexual assault, the possibility of petitioner's

1 release, the State's embarrassment that for many years a law
2 enforcement entity has operated without statutory authority, and
3 the further harm caused to the victim if petitioner is retried.

4 Because of the substantial contributions of the NAU Police
5 Department to petitioner's trial, a challenge to its statutory
6 authority is a challenge to the trial court's jurisdiction.

7 Issues of jurisdiction can be brought at any time. Mammo v.
8 State, 138 Ariz. 528, 530, 675 P.2d 1347, 1349 (App. 1983);
9 Hughes Aircraft Co. v. Industrial Commission, 125 Ariz. 1, 606
10 P.2d 819 (1979); Dassinger v. Oden, 124 Ariz. 551, 606 P.2d 41
11 (App. 1979); and Board of Sup'rs of Maricopa Cty. v. Woodall, 120
12 Ariz. 391, 586 P.2d 640 (App. 1978), vacated on other grounds,
13 120 Ariz. 379, 586 P.2d 628 (1978).

14 The writ of habeas corpus is the appropriate forum to review
15 matters affecting court's jurisdiction, Powell v. State, 19 Ariz.
16 App. 377, 507 P.2d 989 (1973); State v. Court of Appeals, Div.
17 Two, 101 Ariz. 166, 416 P.2d 599 (1966); and State ex rel. Jones
18 v. Superior Court In & For Pinal County, 78 Ariz. 392, 280 P.2d
19 691 (1955), and may be used to collaterally attack judgments of
20 conviction involving loss of jurisdiction because of a denial of
21 federal and state constitutional rights. H.M.L. v. State, 131
22 Ariz. 385, 641 P.2d 873 (App. 1981); State v. Montez, supra, and
23 Applications of Oppenheimer, 95 Ariz. 292, 389 P.2d 696, cert.
24 denied 84 S.Ct. 1359, 377 U.S. 948, 12 L.Ed.2d 311 (1964).
25 Petitioner believes his petition for writ of habeas corpus meets
26 these standards for review.

1 II

2 The issue brought by way of this petition for writ of habeas
3 corpus is whether appointed appellate counsel Michael Reddig was
4 ineffective in his assistance to petitioner.

5 On January 20, 1992, Michael Reddig (Reddig) was appointed
6 as counsel for petitioner. See Exhibit M. On or about March 11,
7 1992, Reddig sent a letter to petitioner. See Exhibit N. On
8 December 3, 1992, the Court of Appeals rendered its Memorandum
9 Decision (Exh. J), a copy of which was sent to petitioner by
10 Reddig without an explanatory cover letter. Petitioner provides
11 the court with the envelope postmarked December 8, 1992. See
12 Exhibit O. Reddig answered petitioner's four December 1992
13 letters with his January 6, 1993 letter and copy of motion for
14 reconsideration. See Exhibits P and Q.

15 Petitioner must prove ineffective assistance of counsel by
16 establishing that counsel's performance fell below an objective
17 standard of reasonableness, and petitioner must also establish
18 that counsel's deficient performance prejudiced the outcome of
19 the case. Strickland v. Washington, 446 U.S. 684, 104 S.Ct. 2054,
20 80 L.Ed.2d 674 (1984); State v. Nash, 143 Ariz. 392, 694 P.2d 222
21 (1985); and State v. Watson, 134 Ariz. 1, 653 P.2d 351 (1982).
22 Standard of ineffectiveness is same for trial and appellate
23 counsel. Matre v. Wainwright, 811 F.2d 1430 (11th Cir.) cert.
24 denied 479 U.S. 994, 107 S.Ct. 597, 93 L.Ed.2d 597 (1986).
25 Standards of Strickland, supra, also apply to appeals. Evitts v.
26 Lucey, 469 U.S. 387, 105 S.Ct. 830, 83 L.Ed.2d 821 (1985).

27 In Reddig's March 11th letter, he states "we will file a

1 petition for reconsideration and review in the Supreme Court in
2 accordance with Rule 32.9(f)." (Now 32.9(g)). See Exhibit N.
3 Reddig never filed a petition for review by the supreme court.
4 See Exhibits R and S. Appointed counsel has no duty to petition
5 the supreme court in some other proceeding beyond the conclusion
6 of the original appeal. However, when the court of appeals'
7 decision has been rendered, the attorney should advise the
8 defendant about his legal rights but the attorney has no oblig-
9 ation to seek further relief through the appellate process.
10 State v. Shuttuck, 140 Ariz. 582, 585, 684 P.2d 154, 157 (1984).

11 Petitioner alleges Reddig created an obligation to petition
12 the Supreme Court or in the least, was duty bound to timely
13 inform petitioner of his intent not to petition for review in the
14 Supreme Court. In State v. Shattuck, supra, the court states
15 that petitioner may petition for review pro per. Id., 140 Ariz.
16 at 585, 684 P.2d at 157. How can petitioner proceed in pro per
17 when counsel fails his professional obligation to timely inform
18 petitioner that counsel would not seek review?

19 Petitioner has an "absolute right to counsel" in a first PCR
20 petition, State v. Sandon, 161 Ariz. 157, 158, 777 P.2d 220, 221
21 (1989), and although petitioner has no "right to appeal" to the
22 Supreme Court, review being discretionary, Jennison v. Goldsmith,
23 940 F.2d 1308 (9th Cir. 1991), petitioner was assured review to
24 the Supreme Court by Reddig through his March 11th letter.
25 Reddig advised petitioner to proceed to the federal courts in a
26 habeas corpus petition. See Exhibit P. Whether the high state
27 court accepts review is discretionary but presentation is a
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1 prerequisite before the federal courts will accept habeas corpus
2 review. Jennison v. Goldsmith, supra; 28 U.S.C.A. § 2254(b).
3 Petitioner cannot assert a claim of ineffectiveness of appellate
4 counsel to the state supreme court without first presenting his
5 claim to some other lower state court. State v. Brewer, 170
6 Ariz. 486, 498-99, 826 P.2d 783, 795-96 (1992)(citations omitted).

7 Petitioner informs the court Reddig's implied statement in
8 his January 6th letter (Exh. P) that a petition for review had
9 been denied is without factual basis. See Exhibits R and S.

10 Reliance on Reddig's stated intent to proceed to the supreme
11 court, and his failure therein, violated his duty to competently
12 represent petitioner contrary to Supreme Court Rule 42, ER 1.1;
13 Matter of Nelson, 170 Ariz. 345, 824 P.2d 741 (1992); United
14 States Const.Amend. 6; and Art. 2, § 4, Arizona Constitution.

15 After the Honorable Judge Rudolph Gerber denied the motion
16 for reconsideration, petitioner submitted three motions for an
17 extension of time. See Exhibits T, U, V and W. Petitioner
18 includes the Supreme Court order of April 15, 1993 dismissing his
19 pro se petition for writ of habeas corpus and denying his pro se
20 motion to supplement and consolidate. See Exhibit X. Finally,
21 petitioner includes the Supreme Court order denying his untimely
22 pro se petition for review by the Supreme Court, PCR, on August
23 31, 1993. See Exhibit Y.

24 A petition for habeas corpus relief was summarily denied
25 where its contents showed that the petitioner was relying upon
26 repetitious matters asserted in previous unsuccessful petitions
27 and where the grounds urged did not justify the interposition of

1 the writ. Applications of Oppenheimer, supra. The grounds urged
2 in this petition are identical to that asserted in his first
3 Rule 32 PCR petition, however, there is justification for the
4 interposition of the writ of habeas corpus because such ground
5 was not adjudicated on its merits in the Rule 32 courts. Further,
6 the Court of Appeals, Division Two, stated: "It is well-settled
7 that in a habeas corpus proceeding a court will not pass on
8 matters of defense." Powell v. State, supra, (citations omitted).

9 Petitioner has not burdened the courts with frivolous and
10 repetitious applications, motions or petitions. See State v.
11 McFord, 132 Ariz. 132, 644 P.2d 286 (App. 1982)(seventh Rule 32
12 petition dismissed). Petitioner filed his first Rule 32 petition
13 in July 1991, after discovery of a valid challenge and defense to
14 his confinement, an interval of four plus years from the high
15 state court's decision in State v. Dixon, 153 Ariz. 151, 735 P.2d
16 761 (1987).

17 Petitioner finally requests the court accept this pro se
18 petition for writ of habeas corpus, its accompanying memorandum
19 of authorities with exhibits, and his affidavit in forma pauperis
20 with tolerance and liberality. Application of Buccheri, 6 Ariz.
21 App. 196, 431 P.2d 91 (1967).

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Re: No. 97-16849, DC# CV-97-0250-EHC Arizona (Phoenix)

Dear Honorable Judge Nelson:

On November 3, 1997, I received your Order denying me a Certificate of Appealability pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2). I respectfully request and pray you reconsider the denial of the certificate of appealability for the following reasons.

On June 10, 1985, I was arrested and charged with multiple felony counts involving the sexual assault of a Northern Arizona University coed. In December 1985, by jury trial, I was convicted on numerous counts including sexual assault and kidnapping. The crime was thoroughly investigated by N.A.U. police officers who gathered evidence and testified at my trial.

On July 31, 1991, I filed a post-conviction relief petition raising the claim that the N.A.U. police officers did not have law enforcement authority. Subsequently, the trial judge, Hon. Richard K. Mangum, retired, ruled Goode v. Alfred, 171 Ariz. 94 (App. 1991) applied and denied my claim. Throughout the ensuing years, state trial, appellate and supreme court judges have ruled that Goode v. Alfred, supra, applied. The Hon. Earl W. Carroll, U.S. District Court Judge, followed the Magistrate's Report and Recommendation denying my petition for writ of habeas corpus.

The one claim I have consistently brought before the state courts and the federal court is the lack of jurisdiction of the university police. Goode v. Alfred, supra, interpreted state statutes after August 7, 1985. The university police at the time of my arrest were operating under the authority of statutes effective before August 7, 1985, and no state court or the federal district court would interpret these statutes.

These applicable statutes did not include the university police in definitions of who is a Peace Officer and severely limited the officers in their duties and authority. See A.R.S. § 1-215 (23)(1981) and A.R.S. § 15-1627(1981).

The Writ of Habeas Corpus is not a process to re-determine guilt or innocence but whether the law was correctly applied. The Writ of Habeas Corpus was instituted to protect individuals from being unlawfully prosecuted and imprisoned.

Because the courts would not consider or interpret the pre-August 7, 1985 statutes, and because the courts continuously and erroneously applied Goode v. Alfred when factly Goode v. Alfred did not apply, I firmly believe the courts sought to deny me the constitutional protections of Due Process and Search & Seizure not only because these courts felt me guilty but because to follow and apply the law would have been politically disastrous, a dark embarrassment to the state universities, and unfair to the victim.

A lawful interpretation of the universities' police authority and jurisdiction at the time of my arrest is what I seek. Although this may be a technicality that might grant me a new trial or plea bargain, this technicality is of vital and primal importance to basic tenets of American jurisprudence. The many judges who ruled on my petitions swore an oath of office to uphold the laws of the state, its constitution, and the U.S. Constitution. To allow such a misapplication of law to stand ignores and defies such an oath of office. To allow such a misapplication of law to stand lowers the court and law to mundane and dangerous capriciousness and panders to social and political forces not germane to the rule of law.

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Respectfully submitted this 5th day of November, 1997.

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Honorable Judge Thompson
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Re: No. 97-16849, DC# CV-97-0250-FHC Arizona (Phoenix)

Dear Honorable Judge Thompson:

On November 3, 1997, I received your order denying me a Certificate of Appealability pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2). I respectfully request you reconsider the denial for the following reasons.

On June 10, 1985, I was arrested and charged with multiple felony counts involving the sexual assault of a Northern Arizona University coed. In December 1985, by jury trial, I was convicted on numerous counts including sexual assault and kidnapping. The crime was thoroughly investigated by N.A.U. police officers who gathered evidence and testified at trial.

On July 31, 1991, I filed a post-conviction relief petition raising the claim that the N.A.U. police officers did not have law enforcement authority. Subsequently, the trial judge, Hon. Richard K. Mangum, retired, ruled Goode v. Alfred, 171 Ariz. 94 (App. 1991) applied and denied my claims. Throughout the ensuing years, state trial, appellate and supreme court judges have ruled that Goode v. Alfred, supra, applied. The Hon. Earl W. Carroll, U.S. District Court Judge, followed the Magistrate's Report and Recommendation denying my petition for writ of habeas corpus.

The one claim I have consistently brought before the state courts and the federal district court is the lack of jurisdiction of the university police. Goode v. Alfred, supra, interpreted state statutes after August 7, 1985. The university police at the time of my arrest were operating under the authority of statutes effective before August 7, 1985, and no state court or the federal district court would interpret these statutes.

These applicable statutes did not include the university police in definitions of who is a Peace Officer and severely limited the officers in their duties and authority. See A.R.S. § 1-215 (23)(1981) and A.R.S. § 15-1627(1981).

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Dear Clerk of the Court:

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Please find enclosed two originals and four copies of two letters to Circuit Judges Thompson and T.G. Nelson. It would be greatly appreciated if you would file the originals, send two copies to the named Judges, and stamp the remaining two copies as either Filed or Received and return them to me in the SASE I have provided for your convenience. These returned copies are for my records.

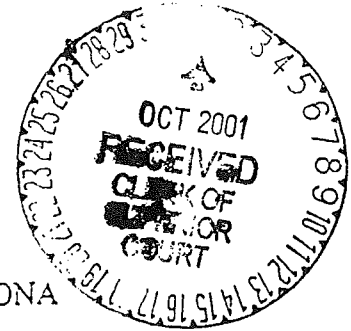
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Sincerely yours,

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Encl.



IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

COUNTY OF COCONINO

STATE OF ARIZONA, _____) No. <u>CR- 11654</u>
)
Plaintiff,) PETITION FOR POST-
) CONVICTION RELIEF
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v.)
(INMATE'S NAME) <u>Clarence Wayne Dixon</u>)
Defendant)
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Instructions: In order for this petition to receive consideration by the court, each applicable question must be answered fully but concisely in legible handwriting or by typing. When necessary, an answer to a particular question may be completed on the reverse side of the page or on an additional blank page, making clear to which question such continued answer refers.

Any false statement of fact made and sworn to under oath in this petition could serve as the basis for prosecution and conviction for perjury. Therefore, exercise care to assure that all answers are true and correct.

A person unable to pay costs of this proceeding and to obtain services of counsel without incurring substantial hardship to himself or his family should complete the Defendant's Financial Statement and Request for Appointed Counsel attached to this petition.

NO ISSUE WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN RAISED AND DECIDED ON APPEAL OR IN A PREVIOUS PETITION MAY BE USED AS A BASIS FOR THIS PETITION.

TAKE CARE TO INCLUDE EVERY GROUND FOR RELIEF WHICH IS KNOWN AND WHICH HAS NOT BEE RAISED AND DECIDED PREVIOUSLY,

The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals did not consider nor rule upon Dixon's timely request for appointment of counsel.

Dixon's petition for a writ of certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and subsequent motion for rehearing was denied on August 12, 1998 by Justice William K. Suter.

ARGUMENT:

The Defendant was arrested June 10, 1985, the day of the offense. State v. Dixon, 153 Ariz. 151, 735 P.2d 761 (1987). A court challenge to the authority of the University of Arizona police became known to defendant in July 1991. Goode v. Alfred, 171 Ariz. 94, 828 P.2d 1235 (App. 1991).

In 1981, A.R.S. § 1-215(23), which defines who is a Peace Officer, added, "and commissioned personnel of the department of public safety." (Added by Laws 1981 Ch. 1 § 28, effective July 25, 1981).

In 1985, A.R.S. § 1-215(23) was further amended adding, "police officers appointed by the Arizona Board of Regents who have received a certificate from the Arizona Law Enforcement Officer Advisory Council." which became effective August 7, 1985.

In 1981, A.R.S. § 15-1627 granted the Board of Regents the authority to adopt rules similar to the Arizona Motor Vehicle Code; sanctions; and security officers. Included in the 1981 statute were subsections F and G which read as follows:

F. The security officers of each of the institutions shall have the authority and power of peace officers for the protection of property under the jurisdiction of the board, the prevention of trespass, the maintenance of peace and order, only insofar as may be prescribed by law, and in enforcing the regulations

respecting vehicles upon the property.

G. The designation as "peace officer" shall be deemed to be a peace officer only for the purpose of this section.

A.R.S. § 15-1627, F & G, (Added by Laws 1981 Ch. 1 § 2, eff. January 23, 1981).

These pre-August 7, 1985 statutes were made known to Judge Mangum by Ms. Houle in the amended petition for post-conviction relief and the motion for rehearing both filed in late 1991. Judge Mangum did not apply these statutes but cited Goode v. Alfred, supra, to deny the defendant relief.

These substantial statutory changes were made known to Judge Flournoy by defendant in his second post-conviction relief petition and motion for rehearing in mid-1995.

It can be inferred from the circumstances that when Judge Mangum denied the first post-conviction relief petition, he knew 1981 statutes A.R.S. §§ 1-215(23) and 15-1627 applied. It can be inferred from the circumstances that Judge Flournoy likewise knew of the existence and applicability of the 1981 amended statutes.

POINT ONE: A.R.S. § 1-215(23) cited in Goode v. Alfred, supra, includes university police in its definition. A.R.S. § 1-215(23) cited by defendant does not include university police.

POINT TWO: A.R.S. § 15-1627 severely limited the 'security officers' and applied on June 10, 1985 up to August 6, 1985.

So why ignore and disregard defendant's claim? Because to apply and interpret the 1981 statutes would cause the release or re-trial of a convicted felon and more importantly, cause great embarrassment to the Arizona Board of Regents and the fraternity of police statewide. A judge shall not be swayed by partisan interests,

public clamor or fear of criticism. Rule 81, Supreme Court of Arizona, Canon 3(B)(2). Adjudicative Responsibilities. It cannot be said Judge Mangum's and Judge Flournoy's rulings did not contain certain of the elements of Canon 3(B)(2). Their intentionally erroneous applications of Goode may rise to willful misconduct of office. Additionally, Judge Flournoy's knowledge that Judge Mangum knowingly ruled erroneously may have violated Rule 81, Supreme Court of Arizona, Canon 3(D)(1), Disciplinary Responsibilities.

Judge Mangum who ruled on the first PCR petition and did not find (nor expound upon) the facts was not an impartial decisionmaker because his own conduct was at issue. See Rose v. Mitchell, 443 U.S. 545, 563 (1979). Also, in reference to Federal Rule 4(a) of 28 U.S.C.A. § 2255, judges should be cognizant of "motivation to vindicate a prior conclusion when confronted with a question for the second or third time" and that a judge may find it difficult to put aside views formed during some earlier procedures," in which disqualification might be appropriate (quoting David L. Ratner, Disqualification of Judges for Prior Judicial Action, 3 How.L.J. 228, 229-230, 1957).

Defendant claims his federal and state constitutional right to Due Process and the right to a fair and impartial hearing were violated by Judges Richard K. Mangum and J. Michael Flournoy. U.S.C.A. Const.Amend. 14, Arizona Const. Art. 2 § 4., and Ariz. Crim.Rule 32 and Montgomery v. Shelton, 181 Ariz. 256 (1995) opin. supplemented 182 Ariz. 118 (1995)(review for fundamental error mandatory by court).

By knowingly and intentionally citing Goode v. Alfred, supra,

and refusing to interpret the correct 1981 statutes, Judges Mangum and Flournoy abandoned their oaths of office, the Rule of Law, and the integrity of the state judiciary.

Defendant is proceeding pro se and should therefore be produced to manage the presentation of his case, to cross-examine the principals and hear their case and to present rebuttal evidence.

For the above reasons, defendant requests a fair and impartial hearing on the above claim and his initial claim that N.A.U. police lacked authority and jurisdiction to investigate the crime for which defendant stands convicted.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 21st day of September, 2001.

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CAN & DO THE COURTS COLLUDE?

by

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Can state and federal judges conspire to deny a person a lawful right? To collude is to act in collusion or conspire, especially for a fraudulent purpose. Collusion is a secret agreement for fraudulent or illegal purpose; conspiracy. Webster's New World Dictionary, 3rd College Ed., c1994, page 274.

Acts of conspiracy are difficult to prove. Without the testimony of one or more conspirators, only the circumstances and evidence surrounding the acts will weigh and tell. The numerous judicial answers to the appeals and petitions in this particular case will weigh and tell with each reader.

Recognizing and interpreting an amended statute in one criminal case while refusing to recognize the same statute in another case would lead one to believe foul is afoot. In the one case, the appellate court found for the governing Board of Regents that authority exists for the creation of a law enforcement agency. Goode v. Alfred, 171 Ariz. 94, 828 P.2d 1235 (App. 1991). In the other case, the courts misapplied case law to uphold criminal

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convictions and a police force's pre-August 1985 authority and, therefore, its existence.

After a July 1990 arrest, a Tucson motorist challenged the University of Arizona police officer's jurisdiction to stop and arrest off-campus. In his ruling, Pima County Justice of the Peace Robert Donfeld opined that the Board of Regents lacked statutory authority to establish a police department and dismissed several traffic citations and a DUI. State v. Goode, Pima County Justice Court, No. CR 90-008744, June 19, 1991.

The State filed a special action and Pima County Superior Court Judge Michael D. Alfred vacated the dismissal, remanding for further justice court proceedings. Goode v. Alfred, 171 Ariz. 94, 828 P.2d 1235 (App. 1991).

Judge Alfred found for the university and the State. Mr. Goode appealed. The Court of Appeals, Div. Two, held that the Board of Regents had implicit statutory authority to establish a police force concluding that A.R.S. § 15-1626(A)(2) is broad enough to include authorization to establish a police force. The appellate court's conclusion was supported by A.R.S. § 1-215(23) which included within the very definition of a peace officer, "police officers appointed by the Arizona Board of Regents who have received a certificate from the Arizona Law Enforcement Officer Advisory Council." Goode v. Alfred, 171 Ariz. 94, 96, 828 P.2d 1235, 1237 (App. 1991).

In mid-1991, a post-conviction relief (PCR) petition was filed challenging the Northern Arizona University (NAU) Police Department's alleged authority to conduct criminal investigations. The petitioner

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informed public defender Linda M. Houle that an applicable statute read quite differently than one cited in Goode v. Alfred, supra. In petitioner's amended supplement to his PCR petition, Ms. Houle included the claim questioning the legal basis for the existence of the police department. State v. Dixon, Coconino County, Amended Supplement, No. CR-11654, October 18, 1991.

After receiving the county prosecutor's response, Ms. Houle's reply included:

A.R.S. § 1-215(23), as amended in 1985, then, clearly defines University police as peace officers. As it existed at the time of defendant's arrest, however, A.R.S. § 1-215(23) defined peace officers as "sheriffs of counties, constables, marshals, policemen of cities and towns, and commissioned personnel of the department of Public Safety." The version of A.R.S. § 1-215(23) cited in the Goode case was enacted in June of 1985 and became effective in August of 1985, after defendant's alleged offense. Goode is not, therefore, dispositive of the issues raised by petition.

State v. Dixon, Reply, Coconino County, CR-11654, Dec. 12, 1991.

After Coconino County Superior Court Judge Richard K. Mangum, ret., dismissed the PCR, Ms. Houle submitted the required motion for rehearing including the following statement that:

"the court overlooked the fact that Goode v. Alfred, 97 Ariz. Adv.Rep. was based on statutory construction and that the statutes cited had been amended subsequent to petitioner's arrest and conviction. Changes in A.R.S. §1-215(23) and A.R.S. 14-1627* after petitioner's arrest may well have conferred that ability upon NAU police officers where it did not exist previously."

Dixon, Motion, Coconino County, CR-11654, December 24, 1991.

(14-1627 is a typo and should have read "15-1627")

Before August 7, 1985, A.R.S. § 1-215(23) in its definition of who is a Peace Officer did not include university security officers. A.R.S. § 1-215(23)(Added by Laws 1981 Ch. 1 § 28 eff. July 25, 1981.

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Before August 7, 1985, A.R.S. § 15-1627 granted the Board of Regents the authority to adopt rules similar to the Arizona Motor Vehicle Code; sanctions; and security officer powers. Included in the pre-August 7, 1985 statute are pertinent subsections F and G.

A.R.S. § 15-1627, F & G, 1981, read as follows:

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A.R.S. § 15-1627, F & G, (Added by Laws 1981 Ch. 1 § 2, eff. Jan. 23, 1981).

Superior Court Judge Mangum denied the July 31, 1991 PCR petition without acknowledging and interpreting the pre-August 7, 1985 statutes. Addressing this specific claim, the court wrote:

"The authority cited by Defendant, a Justice of the Peace Court opinion, has been reversed by the Arizona Court of Appeals; so there was no reason for counsel to raise this issue at trial, as the law was and is against him."

State v. Dixon, Order, CR-11654, Dec. 16, 1991.

The Court of Appeals, Div. One, Rudolph J. Gerber presiding with Ruth V. McGregor and Philip E. Toci participating, granted review and denied relief. In its Dec. 3, 1992 not for publication Memorandum Decision, the appellate court relied upon Goode v. Alfred, supra, to deny the claim stating:

"Regarding the NAU Police Department's authority, Dixon relies upon a now-reversed opinion rendered by a justice of the peace on the jurisdiction of campus police. This authority is no longer the law. Goode v. Alfred, 171 Ariz. 94, 828 P.2d 1235 (App. 1991)."

Ct. of Appeals, Memo Decision, No. CA-CR 92-0171-PR, Dec. 3, 1992.

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After an untimely but accepted filing of a motion for reconsideration, a pro se supplement to motion for reconsideration and a pro se petition for writ of habeas corpus in the Arizona Supreme Court, the court without discussion denied the PCR and habeas corpus petitions by a panel of Chief Justice Feldman, Justice Corcoran, and Justice Zlaket. Dixon, Supreme Court, No. CR-93-0198-PR, August 31, 1993; Dixon v. McFadden, Habeas corpus, Supreme Court, No. HC-93-0006, dismissed, April 15, 1993.

After Dixon brought his first PCR petition through the state courts, he continued with a petition for writ of habeas corpus in Pinal County which was transferred to Coconino County as a second PCR petition denied on August 4, 1995; a petition for review by the supreme court (PCR) denied on December 6, 1996; and a special action petition to the supreme court challenging the transfer of the second habeas corpus petition which was dismissed on July 8, 1994. In all the state proceedings, Dixon raised the claim that NAU police lacked sufficient authority or jurisdiction to conduct criminal investigations.

The United States District Court dismissed without prejudice Dixon's first petition for writ of habeas corpus so unexhausted claims could be pursued in the state courts. Dixon v. Lewis, CIV 95-1852-PCT-EHC (SLV), June 17, 1996.

After state supreme court summary denial of the second PCR petition, Dixon filed his second federal habeas corpus petition. In denying the habeas corpus petition, United States District Court Judge Earl H. Carroll adopted the Report and Recommendation of Magistrate Stephen L. Verkamp which in part read:

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"Federal habeas relief is not available for alleged errors in the interpretation or application of state law. Estelle v. McGuire, 502 U.S. 62, 112 S.Ct. 475, 480, 116 L.Ed.2d 385 (1991); Miller v. Vasquez, 868 F.2d 1116, 1119 (9th Cir. 1989); Middleton v. Cupp, 768 F.2d 1082, 1085 (9th Cir. 1985), cert. denied, 478 U.S. 1021 (1986)."

Dixon v. Steward, Report, CIV 97-250-PHX-EHC (SLV), page 10, July 2, 1997.

In response to the Report, Dixon in part replied:

"As stated in Peltier v. Wright, 15 F.3d 860 (9th Cir. 1994), 'A writ of habeas corpus is available under 28 U.S.C. § 2254(a) only on the basis of some transgression of federal law binding on the state courts. It is unavailable for alleged errors in the interpretation or application of state law. Middleton v. Cupp, 768 F.2d 1083, 1085 (9th Cir. 1985)(citations omitted), cert.denied, 478 U.S. 1021; 106 S.Ct. 3336, 92 L.Ed.2d. 741 (1986). Furthermore, "state courts are the ultimate expositors of state law," and we are bound by the state's construction except when it appears that interpretation is an obvious subterfuge to evade the consideration of a federal issue. Mullaney v. Wilbur, 421 U.S. 684, 691, 95 S.Ct. 1881, 1886, 44 L.Ed.2d 508 (1975). Peltier v. Wright, 15 F.3d 861-62 (9th Cir. 1994)."

Dixon, Reply to Report, CIV 97-250-PHX-EHC (SLV), page 7, July 14, 1997.

In accepting the Report and Recommendation, Judge Carroll ignored a basic tenet of law; that issues of jurisdiction are derivative, Anonymous Wife v. Anonymous Husband, 739 P.2d 791 (Ariz. 1986); that issues of jurisdiction are never waived and can be raised on collateral attack, United State v. Cook, 997 F.2d 1312, 1320 (9th Cir. 1993); that subject matter jurisdiction and court's jurisdiction can be brought for the first time appeal, Mammo v. State, 675 P.2d 1347 (Ariz.App. 1983); and that issues of jurisdiction are reviewed de novo, Kelly v. Michaels, 59 F.3d 1044, 1057 (10th Cir. 1995). The above cases were cited in Dixon's habeas corpus petition.

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A notice of appeal and a motion for issuance of a certificate of probable cause was filed on September 12, 1997. The certificate was denied on September 23, 1997.

In an October 1, 1997 letter, Dixon requested appointment of counsel which was never ruled upon by the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

On October 27, 1997, a request for issuance of certificate of appealability was denied.

Another letter construed as a motion to reconsider was denied on November 28, 1997.

On February 23, 1998, Dixon submitted his pro se Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. The petition was denied by United States Supreme Court Justice William K. Suter on May 18, 1998. Dixon's pro se Petition for Rehearing was denied by Justice Suter on August 12, 1998.

From Petitioner's first post-conviction relief petition of July 31, 1991 to the Petition for a Writ of Certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit of February 23, 1998, the state and federal courts have refused not to re-interpret statutes but to apply correct statutes in an effective effort to deny relief of a constitutional magnitude. A meritorious claim was raised only to be thwarted by judicial rulings that are more than simple mistakes or oversights but cognizant actions to deny a petitioner guaranteed protection under the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article 2, Section 4 of the Arizona Constitution.

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Albert Goode received a fair and impartial adjudication of his police jurisdiction claim finally to his disadvantage. Dixon also sought relief under the same but previously amended statutes. But because his claim was definitively to his advantage, he was thwarted by a specious application of state law that did not and still does not apply.

This cumulative, continuous and concerted effort by state and federal judges on its face smacks of collusion and conspiracy or, at the least, complicity and the reader is left considering the circumstantial weight to tell if judicial collusion is found.

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

TO THE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT:

I allege that Judge J. Michael Flourney of the (check one) ☐ municipal court; ☐ justice court; ☒ superior court; ☐ court of appeals; or ☐ supreme court located in Flagstaff, Arizona, has committed judicial misconduct that involves (check all that apply):

- ☐ The commission of a criminal act.
- ☐ A disability that interferes with the performance of judicial duties.
- ☐ Willful misconduct in office.
- ☐ Willful and persistent failure to perform duties.
- ☐ Habitual intemperance (addiction to alcohol or drugs).
- ☒ Conduct that brings the judicial office into disrepute.
- ☒ A violation of the Arizona Code of Judicial Conduct.

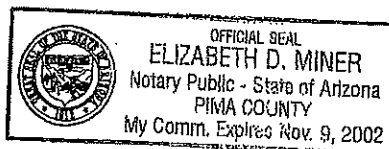
In support of these allegations, I have answered the following questions truthfully and completed the attached statement of facts describing my experience with the judge.

- Did you have a case before this judge? ☒ yes, ☐ no. If yes, what is the case number? CR 85-11654
- What is the name of the case? State of Arizona v. Clarence W. Dixon
- List the names of any attorneys, who appeared in the case: Linda M. Houle, Michael S Reddig, Kaign Christy, Bruce Griffen, John Ellsworth, Wendy F. White, H. Allen Gerhardt, Susan V. Sterman, Michael Hinson, R. Wayne Ford, Jill L. Evans,
- Are you involved in a lawsuit that is still pending before this judge? ☐ yes, ☒ no.
- List your telephone numbers: Daytime: N/A; After hours: N/A
- Street Address: Arizona State Prison-Eyman Complex, Meadows Unit
- City: Florence, State: Arizona Zip Code: 85232
- Print your name: Clarence W. Dixon Today's Date: March 12, 2002
- Clarence W. Dixon

Signature (signed in front of a notary and notarized below)

VERIFICATION

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 12 day of March, 2002



Elizabeth D. Miner
Notary Public
11/9/2002
My Commission Expires

STATEMENT OF FACTS

NAME: Clarence Dixon JUDGE'S NAME: J. Michael Flournoy DATE: 3/12/02

On June 10, 1985, I was arrested for the sexual assault of a college coed. N.A.U. police investigated obtaining a Court Order and two Search Warrants, gathered evidence, and interviewed witnesses and the victim.

In April 1995, Judge Flournoy was explicitly informed of statutes applicable to my Crim.Rule 32 claim that N.A.U. police lacked jurisdiction at the time of my June 1985 arrest. In August 1995, Judge Flournoy denied my Crim.Rule 32 petition. See attached Petition; pages 1,A-4 & A-5 and Minute Entry Order.

In Sept. 2001, I filed a Crim.Rule 32 petition alleging obstruction by Judge Mangum (ret.) and Judge Flournoy of my right to due process and my right to fair and impartial hearings. Again, I specifically mentioned the 1981 statutes. Initially assigned to Judge Coker, my petition was reassigned to Judge Flournoy who without recusing himself, denied my petition on Feb. 7, 2002. See attached Petition; pages 1,A-4,A-5,A-6 & A-7, and Minute Entry Order.

This is my third Crim.Rule 32 petition and because the superior court judges and appellate state courts will not order a fair and impartial hearing on my due process claim, I seek suspension or censure of Judge J. Michael Flournoy.

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1 CACR-02-0203

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Plaintiff,

v.

CLARENCE W. DIXON,

Defendant.

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COCONINO County Superior
Court, No. CR 85-11654

DEFENDANT'S REPLY TO STATE'S
RESPONSE TO PETITION FOR
REVIEW

COMES NOW Defendant Clarence W. Dixon, in pro per, and hereby submits his reply to State's reponse to petition for review, dated April 9, 2002.

The State argues preclusion on issues which were previously raised, ruled upon and denied in two earliar Rule 32 petitions.

The Defendant emphatically asserts his previous Rule 32 court rulings were rendered debatable because the campus police jurisdiction claim was never finally adjudicated on the merits. Certain statutes were intentionally and improperly ignored by the trial and Rule 32 court judges in successful attempts to deny Defendant certain rights guaranteed by the state and federal constitutions.

The Defendant asserts his 3rd Rule 32 petition was improperly denied by Judge Flournoy who should have recused himself because he is a named participant in Defendant's claim of obstruction by two

1 superior court judges.

2 Defendant continues to admit and raise his challenge to the
3 authority of the campus police because his claim is real and sub-
4 stantial and his denied rights to fair and impartial hearings and
5 due process are real and substantial.

6 Because the trial and Rule 32 court judges actively sought to
7 misapply the law and the authority of campus police was and is
8 challenged, the courts' jurisdiction became and is an issue. And
9 as stated in previous submissions; issues of a court's jurisdiction
10 are never waived and can be raised at any time.

11 The State asserts Defendant 'cites no law for his position' on
12 Defendant's challenge to the authority of the judges. The State
13 ignores Defendant's citation of Rule 81, Code of Judicial Conduct,
14 Supreme Court of Arizona. Additionally, when the Ninth Circuit
15 Court of Appeals allowed the Dept. of Corrections to remove law
16 libraries from Arizona's prisons in August 1997 (except Central
17 Unit), Defendant's meaningful and real ability to access and re-
18 search the law was and is seriously prejudiced.

19 Defendant's claims are further bolstered by the cumulative
20 efforts of the State and Rule 32 court judge to intentionally set
21 aside principles of judicial recusal and principles of statutory
22 application and interpretation.

23 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 24th day of April, 2002.

24 Clarence W. Dixon

25 Clarence W. Dixon, in pro per

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June 12, 2002

E. Keith Stott, Jr.
Executive Director
Commission on Judicial Conduct
1501 W. Washington, Suite 229
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: Case No. 02-068

Dear Mr. Stott:

Thank you for your June 6 letter.

On bad faith, in your February 21 letter, you wrote that, "bad faith implies that a judge was fully aware of his duty under the law at the time of his ruling and then willfully ruled contrary for reasons of his own." This is exactly the circumstances under which Judge Flournoy (and several others) acted.

There is no discretion but a duty to apply the law fairly and correctly.

I have sought a true and correct application of the law for eleven years now. Mine is a unique and exceptional claim and I firmly believe all Commission members need to know of this very valid challenge to police authority and the judicial bad faith involved. Beyond the possibility of my freedom lies the very real damage to the judiciary and the Rule of Law bad faith acts engender; a damage I believe the Commission on Judicial Conduct was created to combat through vigilance and proper sanctions.

My complaint against Judge Flournoy is real and an integral part of the Arizona justice system and because my police authority claim is rare and a political firebomb, the public needs to be represented by the Commission on Judicial Conduct.

I await the decision of the Commission's review meeting of July 19. Thank you for your time and considerations. I am ...

Sincerely,



Clarence Dixon, #38977
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P.O. Box 3300
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cc:cd

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

STATE OF ARIZONA,
Plaintiff,

v.

CLARENCE DIXON,
Defendant.

No. CR 02-19595

MOTION TO SUPPRESS DNA
EVIDENCE
(Evidentiary Hearing/ Oral
Argument Requested)

COMES NOW the Defendant, by and through his undersigned attorney, and hereby moves this court to suppress all DNA evidence prior, arising and subsequent to the indictment of the Defendant on November 26, 2002. This motion is based upon the Memorandum of Points and Authorities attached hereto and made a part hereof by this reference.

DATED the _____ day of May, 2003.

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Ms. Vikki M. Liles

Attorney for Defendant

MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. FACTS:

On or about the middle of 1995 (or 1996?) Defendant Dixon (Dixon) was ordered to surrender his blood and saliva samples by Arizona Department of Corrections medical personnel in accordance with A.P.S. § _____ for the purpose of his inclusion in a state and national DNA data base for crime comparison analysis.

On or about _____ DNA analysis indicated Dixon's semen/blood/saliva was present on the bedspread/panties/vagina swab taken from the crime scene/body of Deana Lynn

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Bowdoin, murdered on January 7, 1978 in Tempe, Arizona.

On June 10, 1985, Dixon was arrested for the sexual assault of a N.A.U. coed, N.A.U. police, in the week following, investigated gathering evidence, interviewing witnesses and the victim, obtained two search warrants and one court order, and testified at Dixon's December 1985 trial. Dixon was found guilty by jury and on January 6, 1986 sentenced to seven consecutive life sentences. State v. Dixon, 153 Ariz. 157, 735 P.2d 761 (1987).

On July 31, 1991, Dixon filed his first Crim. Rule 32 petition after hearing of a DUI suspect's challenge to University of Arizona police authority. The Honorable Robert Donfeld, Justice Court, found the university police lacking statutory authority and the State appealed. The Pima County Superior Court reversed and the defendant sought special action. In Greale v. Alfred, 171 Ariz. 94, 828 P.2d 1235 (App. 1991), the appellate court found that statutes 'amended' in 1985 did grant the state Board of Regents authority to establish and maintain a police force. Greale v. Alfred, 171 Ariz. 94, 96, 828 P.2d 1235, 1237.

The Honorable Richard K. Mangum, retired, ruled that Greale v. Alfred, supra, applied to Dixon's claim that N.A.U. police lacked statutory authority to investigate the crime he stood convicted of although Public Defender Linda M. Houle informed the court of the applicability of statutes effective in 1981. Ms. Houle filed a timely motion for rehearing which was denied on January 13, 1992. Pima County Superior Court No. CR 85-11654. Dixon's petition for review from superior court was denied relief by Judge Gerber,

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McGregor and Toci on December 3, 1992. Court of Appeals, Div. One, CA-CR 92-0171 PR. Dixon's petition for review by the supreme court was denied without comment or discussion on August 31, 1993 by Justices Feldman, Coreman and Zlaket, Arizona Supreme Court No. CR 93-0195 PR. Dixon continued in the state courts with a habeas corpus petition in the supreme court dismissed April 15, 1993 by Justice Zlaket. Arizona Supreme Court No. MC 93-0006; a habeas corpus petition in Pinal County transferred to Coconino County as a 2nd Crim. Rule 32 petition denied on August 4, 1995 by Judge Flournoy, No. CR 85-11654; a petition for review from Superior Court denied on July 11, 1996 by Judges Graber, Lambford and Sult, Court of Appeals, Div. I, CA-CR 95-0831 PR; a petition for review by supreme court denied on December 9, 1996 by Justices Feldman, Zlaket and Jones, Arizona Supreme Court No. CR 96-0447 PR; a special action petition was dismissed by the supreme court on July 8, 1994 by Justice Moeller, Arizona Supreme Court No. M-94-0014, Pinal County No. CV 94-041734; a 2nd Crim. Rule 32 petition denied by Judge Flournoy on February 4, 2003, No. CR 85-11654; a petition for review from superior court denied on _____ by Judges _____ and _____, Court of Appeals, Div. One, No. CA-CR 02-0203 PR; and a petition for review in the supreme court denied on April 17, 2003 by Justices Bevel, Ryan and Hurwitz, Arizona Supreme Court No. CR 03-0076 PR.

In all Dixon's petitions, he has brought forth the claim that N.A.U. police lacked sufficient statutory authority or jurisdiction to conduct criminal felony investigations on June 10, 1985 and up to

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August 6, 1985.

II. LAW AND ARGUMENT:

Defendant Dixon's 1985-86 convictions and sentences in State v. Dixon, 153 Ariz 151, 735 P.2d 761 (1987) were unlawfully obtained because N.A.U. police under color of state law were, at the time of the offense and Dixon's arrest, without statutory authority, implied or explicit. See A.R.S. § 15-1627 (1981), particularly Paragraphs F and G. The use of unlawfully obtained evidence at trial is impermissible and fundamental error through the doctrine of the Exclusionary Rule. Wong Sun v. United States, 33 S.Ct. 407, 371 U.S. 407 (1963) *APPROPRIATE ARIZONA CITATION* And because the State is now using DNA comparison evidence obtained from Dixon in mid-1985 (or mid-1986) while illegally incarcerated, it too must be suppressed as "fruit of the poisonous tree" simply because it would not have come to light but for the illegal actions of the police." Wong Sun v. United States, 33 S.Ct. 407 417, 371 U.S. 407, 488, Ariz.

Dixon was arrested on June 10, 1985, the day of the offense. State v. Dixon 153 Ariz. 151, 735 P.2d 761 (1987). A DUI suspect's challenge to the authority of the University of Arizona police became known to Dixon and he filed his First Crim. Rule 32 petition on July 31, 1991. Coconino County Superior Court No. CR 85-11654.

In 1981, A.R.S. § 1-215(23), which defines who is a Peace Officer, added "and commissioned personnel of the department of public safety." (Added by Laws 1981 Ch. 1 § 28, effective July 28, 1981).

In 1985, A.R.S. § 1-215(23) was amended adding, "police officers appointed by the Arizona Board of Regents who have received a

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certificate from the Arizona Law Enforcement Officer Advisory Council," which became effective August 7, 1985.

In 1981, A.R.S. 15-1627 granted the Board of Regents the authority to adopt rules similar to the Arizona Motor Vehicle Code; sanctions; and security officers. Included in the 1981 statute were subsections F and G which read as follows:

F. The security officers of each of the institutions shall have the authority and power of peace officers for the protection of property under the jurisdiction of the board, the prevention of trespass, the maintenance of peace and order, only insofar as may be proscribed by law, and in enforcing the regulations respecting vehicles upon the property.

G. The designation as "peace officer" shall be deemed to be a peace officer only for the purpose of this section.

A.R.S. § 15-1627 (1981) (Added by Laws 1981 Ch. 1 § 2, effective January 23, 1981).

These pre-August 7, 1985 statutes were made known to Judge Mangum by Public Defender Houde in the amended petition for post-conviction relief and motion for rehearing filed in late 1991. Judge Mangum did not apply these statutes but cited Quale v. Alford, *supra*, to deny Dixon relief.

These substantial statutory changes were made known to all the state courts reviewing Dixon's petitions from 1991 to the present.

It can be inferred from the circumstances that when Judge Mangum denied Dixon's first Crim. Rule 32 petition, he knew 1981 A.R.S. § 1-215(23) and A.R.S. § 15-1627 applied. It can be inferred from the circumstances

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that all the other appellate courts likewise knew of the existence and applicability of the amended 1981 statutes.

In State v. Johnson, 173 Ariz. 274, 842 P.2d 1287 (1992) Justice Zakot wrote on the importance of re-instructing a jury on the burden of proof involving the same trial judge 4 times, "Even where evidence of guilt appears overwhelming, we have an obligation to ensure that the judicial process is properly accomplished, ... and we are unable to sit idly by while prescribed judicial procedures are ignored out of personal preference or convenience, or for any other unjustifiable cause. There is no suggestion in this record that the trial judge had a valid reason for ignoring the legal precedents previously recanted." State v. Johnson, 173 Ariz. 274, 276, 842 P.2d 1287, 1289 (1992). At no time and in no way was the judicial process properly accomplished "with respect to Dixon's claim nor will anyone find 'a valid reason for ignoring the legal precedents' in Dixon's case.

A judge shall not be swayed by partisan interests, public clamor or fear of criticism, Rule 81, Supreme Court of Arizona, Canon 3(B)(1), Adjudicative Responsibilities. It can be inferred from the circumstances that partisan interests or public clamor or fear of criticism or bad faith in general or all of the above were present and active in continuously denying Dixon a fair and impartial hearing on his claim that M.A.U. police lacked statutory authority to investigate the crime Dixon stands convicted of and as a result, evidence gathered under and after such an illegal conviction is now being used against him in another capital case.

A judge who has knowledge or who receives reliable information that another judge has committed a violation of this code shall take

or initiate appropriate action. Rule 81, Supreme Court of Arizona, Canon 3(D)(1), Disciplinary Responsibilities. Dixon asserts that appropriate action would be to suppress the DNA evidence, dismiss the charges against him and issue a writ of habeas corpus on Dixon's initial 1998 claim of illegal N.A.A. police activity.

It cannot be disputed that on June 10, 1985, certain 1981 statutes should have been applied and interpreted according to basic tenets of statutory construction and the appropriate relief afforded Dixon.

Under the Rule of Law and among men and women of reason, there is a clear and convincing argument that Dixon was and is illegally convicted and as such, the DNA comparison samples he surrendered in 1995 (or 1996) were and are 'tainted' as defined by the United States Supreme Court in Wong Sun v. United States, supra, Ariz. ___, and must be suppressed as fruit gathered from the poisonous tree.

Dixon respectfully requests this court for specific findings of fact and conclusions of law evidentiary hearing and oral arguments notwithstanding.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this ___ day of May, 2008

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Ms. Vikki M. Liles

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IN PROPRIA PERSONA

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IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

STATE OF ARIZONA,

PLAINTIFF,

VS.

CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON,

DEFENDANT,

NO. CR 2002-019595

MOTION THREE TO RECONSIDER

DENIAL OF CHANGE OF JUDGE

MOTION

(ASSIGNED TO THE HONORABLE
JAMES M. KEPPLER)

PURSUANT TO 10.1(C), ARIZ.R. OF CRIM. PROCED., DEFENDANT
ASSENTS JUDGE KEPPLER'S JUNE 20, 2006 DENIAL OF
DEFENDANT'S JUNE 12, 2006 MOTION TO RECONSIDER DENIAL OF
CHANGE OF JUDGE MOTION IS PREMATURE AS LACKING THE
REQUIRED HEARING. DEFENDANT SEEKS TO PRESEVE FOR
APPEAL, IF NECESSARY, ALLEGATIONS OF INTEREST AND PREJUDICE
WHICH PREVENT A FAIR AND IMPARTIAL PRE TRIAL AND TRIAL
ENVIRONMENT; A HEARING WHEREIN DEFENDANT WILL BRING

FORTH TESTIMONY BY DEPUTY PUBLIC DEFENDER JAMES A WILSON THAT INDICATES JUDGE KLEIN'S DISREGARD FOR DEFENDANT'S PROPER POSITION AND LEGAL ARGUMENTS; THAT ON MAY 12, 2006, TOWARDS THE END OF THE PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE, DEFENDANT ASKED JUDGE KLEIN IF JUDGE KLEIN HAD READ DEFENDANT'S MOTION AND JUDGE KLEIN SAID, "NO".

AS A PROPER DEFENDANT IN A CAPITAL MURDER CASE, THE CRIME OCCURRING SOME 28 YEARS AGO, DEFENDANT'S TASK IS DAUNTING EVEN WITHOUT THE SITTING JUDGE IGNORING DEFENDANT'S PLEADINGS. JUDGE KLEIN'S NEGATIVE RESPONSE TO A DUTY OF OFFICE IS PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE OF INTEREST AND PREJUDICE. ALLOWING THE STATE'S RESPONSE TO STAND WITHOUT PRIOR JUDICIAL SCRUTINY IS A VIOLATION OF THE CODE OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT, CANON 3, B.7.

IGNORING STATE LAWS, HURRIEDLY DEALING WITH DEFENDANT'S FIRST ORAL ARGUMENT WITH IMPATIENCE WITHOUT PROVOCATION, AND DISMISSING DEFENDANT AND HIS MOTION WITH A CURT "NO" UNDERMINES IMPARTIALITY AND FAIRNESS.

DEFENDANT REQUIRES A HEARING, RULE 10.1(c), ARIZ. R. OF CRIM. PROCED., OR THE COURT GRANT DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR CHANGE OF JUDGE FOR CAUSE.

SUBMITTED THIS 26TH DAY OF JUNE, 2006

BY Clarence W. Dixon

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DEFENDANT PRO PER

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CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON,

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PETITIONER, } PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS

V.S.

} CORPUS

DAVID STINN,

)} DIRECTOR, ARIZONA

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, (DEATH SENTENCE CASE)
RESPONDENT.

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RULES/CRIMINAL PROCEDURE, RULE 32

CONSTITUTION, UNITED STATES, 4, 6, 8 AND 14 AMENDMENTS

I. INTRODUCTION

COMES NOW CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON, AN INMATE ON ARIZONA DEATH ROW, ARIZONA STATE PRISON COMPLEX, FLORENCE, AZ 85132, PRISON

NUMBER 038972, CONVICTED OF FIRST DEGREE MURDER ON JANUARY 24, 2006, SEE STATE V. DIXON, 226 ARIZ. 545 (2011). THIS PETITION IS

SUPPORTED BY THE 4TH, 6TH, 8TH, AND 14TH AMENDMENTS TO THE U.S.

CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE ONE, SECTION 9, ARTICLE 6, SECTION 5, ARTICLE 2,

SECTIONS 4, 8, 14, 15, 23 AND 24 OF THE ARIZONA CONSTITUTION. (PETITIONER

DIXON WOULD HAVE THE COURT NOTE THAT HE IS LEGALLY AND TOTALLY BLIND.

PETITIONER DIXON BEGS THE COURT'S INDULGENCE.)

II. JURISDICTION.

PETITIONER DIXON ASSERTS HE HAS A CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO BRING FORTH A PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS BY A STATE PRISONER BECAUSE HE RELIES ON ARTICLE 2, SECTION 14 OF THE ARIZONA CONSTITUTION WHICH NEGATES THE AUTHORITY OF ANY ENTITY TO SUSPEND THE WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS. PETITIONER DIXON FURTHER ASSERTS THERE CAN BE NO SUBSTITUTION FOR THE WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS, ITS SCOPE AND REMEDY BEING THAT THE SUPREME COURT HAS THE POWER TO ISSUE ALL NECESSARY WRITS.

ARIZONA'S CONSTITUTION AT ARTICLE 2, SECTION 14 PROHIBITS THE SUSPENSION OF THE WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS BY ANYONE. THE ARIZONA SUPREME COURT'S PROMULGATED RULE 32 EFFECTIVELY DOES JUST THAT BY REQUIRING STATE PRISONERS TO FILE THEIR POST-CONVICTION RELIEF PETITIONS THROUGH THE RULE ESTABLISHED IN A.R.S. CRIMINAL RULE 32

WHICH BY DESIGN REMOVES THE SCOPE AND REMEDIES AVAILABLE IN A

WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS AND BY IMPOSING LIMITATIONS, DEVIATIONS AND

PRECLUSIONS NOT FOUND IN A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS. . SEE ARIZONA

SUPREME COURT RULE 32 ET SEQ.; STATE V. CARRION, 143 ARIZ. 142 (1989).

. IF THE ARIZONA SUPREME COURT DENIES PETITIONER DIXON HIS

CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO THE WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS, PETITIONER DIXON REQUESTS

THE COURT PROVIDE HIM STATEMENTS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

IN SUPPORT OF SUCH DENIAL. PETITIONER DIXON CONCLUDES WITH THE

ASSERTION THAT A CRIMINAL RULE 32 PETITION IS A VASTLY DIFFERENT

DIFFERENT REMEDY THAT ALLOWS THE COURT ALWAYS COURTS TO EVADE AND

SKIPT THE PURPOSE, SCOPE, AND REMEDIES CONSTITUTIONALLY

AFFORDED BY THE WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS.

III. ARGUMENT

PETITIONER DIXON CLAIMS THAT HIS 1985 CONVICTIONS FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT AND KIDNAPPING OF ANDREA JANE SALAZAR WERE UNCONSTITUTIONAL AND THAT THE TESTIMONY OF THE VICTIM AJS, A PETITIONER DIXON'S 2007-2008 TRIAL SHOULD HAVE BEEN EXCLUDED AS POISONOUS FRUIT AND HIGHLY PREJUDICIAL AND WAS THE REASON WHY PETITIONER DIXON WAS CONVICTED. THE TRIAL JUDGE WAS COMPLETELY IN ERROR FOR DENYING PETITIONER DIXON'S MOTION PRO SE TO SUPPRESS THE TESTIMONY OF AJS. PETITIONER DIXON AND AND PUBLIC DEFENDER VIRKIL LILES AGREED PRIOR TO TRIAL THAT MS. LILES WOULD BRING THIS CLAIM TO THE TRIAL COURT'S ATTENTION IN EXCHANGE FOR PETITIONER DIXON TAKING A FIELD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL TESTS. MS. LILES FAILED ON HER SIDE OF THIS AGREEMENT. ON APPEAL, IN SEVERAL LETTERS, PETITIONER DIXON

ASKED APPELLATE COUNSEL CONSTANCE OTTANESIAN TO RAISE THIS CLAIM BUT SHE DID NOT DO SO. (APPENDIX AFFIDAVIT / DIXON)

PETITIONER DIXON ALSO BY LETTER ON APPEAL ASKED APPELLATE COUNSEL KERRY DROBAN TO RAISE THIS CLAIM BUT SHE ALSO FAILED TO DO SO. (APPENDIX, AFFIDAVIT / DIXON)

FINALLY, PETITIONER DIXON ASKED APPELLATE COUNSEL PAULA K. HARMS TO RAISE THIS CLAIM BUT SHE FAILED TO DO SO. (APPENDIX, AFFIDAVIT / DIXON).

THIS CLAIM IS CONTROVERSIAL BECAUSE IT CHALLENGES SUCCESSFULLY

THE AUTHORITY OF COLLEGE CAMPUS POLICE TO INVESTIGATE FELLOW CRIMES.

AT THE TIME OF THE SEXUAL ASSAULT OF AJS, JUNE 10, 1983, ARS 1-215(23), THE DEFINITION OF WHO IS A PEACE OFFICER, DID NOT INCLUDE

UNIVERSITIES CAMPUS POLICE. ALSO ARS 15-1627, AUTHORITY OF
 UNIVERSITY CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICERS, SEVERELY LIMITED THE DUTIES OF
 SECURITY OFFICERS AS TO THEIR DUTIES ON CAMPUS. FELONY CRIME INVESTI-
 GATIONS WERE NOT INCLUDED IN THE DUTIES OF THESE SECURITY OFFICERS. THE
 NAU SECURITY OFFICERS INVESTIGATED AND TESTIFIED AT TRIAL AS FULLY
 EMPOWERED PEACE OFFICERS. ISSUES OF JURISDICTION MAY BE BROUGHT
 AT ANY TIME. CORPUS JURIS SECONDA, 'JURISDICTION'. THIS CLAIM HAS
 NEVER BEEN DECIDED ON ITS MERITS. NO JUDGE OR JUSTICE HAS
 EVER PROVIDED STATEMENTS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW IN
 SUPPORT OF THE DENIALS. ON THE MERITS. THE ARIZONA SUPREME
 COURT HAS STATED THAT DEATH PENALTY CASES MUST BE
 SCRUTINIZED AS A MATTER OF GREAT IMPORTANCE. STATE V. BREW

170 ARIZ. 466 (1982)

PETITIONER DIXON REQUESTS A HEARING TO FURTHER PRESENT
 HIS CLAIM AND IF NEEDED CALL WITNESSES. PETITIONER DIXON ALSO
 REQUESTS THE APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL MAINLY BECAUSE OF HIS PHYSICAL
 DISABILITY IS CAUSING INORDINATE AMOUNTS OF TIME PUTTING
 HIS CASE TOGETHER AND (AGAINST HIS OWN WILL AND JUDGEMENT)
 ON FELLOW DEATH ROW (INHALES) THE READING OF CONFIDENTIAL
 DOCUMENTS, ETC. IF THE COURT FINDS SIGNIFICANT CAUSE TO
 APPOINT COUNSEL, PETITIONER DIXON WOULD SUGGEST AMANDA C.
 BASS, FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER, BECAUSE SHE IS KNOWLEDGE OF
 THE ENTIRE CASE.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS 9 DAY OF APRIL, 2021.

Clarence W. Dixon

CLARENCE. DIXON. 038977

SUPPLEMENT TO PETITION

ADDITIONALLY, PETITIONER DIXON ASSERTS THE CLAIM OF

INEFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE OF TRIAL COUNSEL, ADVISORY COUNSEL AND APPELLATE COUNSEL. PETITIONER DIXON HAD TO REPRESENT HIMSELF BECAUSE COUNSEL

VIKEI LILES WOULD NOT RAISE A VALID AND CREDIBLE CLAIM THAT SHE SAID SHE

WOULD. ADVISORY COUNSEL COUNTRYMAN, KENNETH AND CARR, NATHANIEL,

FAILED TO ADEQUATELY ASSIST PETITIONER DIXON IN HIS PROSE TRIAL

REPRESENTATION. EXAMPLES OF MISSED ASSISTANCE IS FAILING TO CUE

PETITIONER DIXON WHEN PROSECUTOR JUAN MARTINEZ ERRONEOUSLY

TOLD JURORS THAT HIS DNA WAS ON THE MURDER WEAPON WHEN THE

PROSECUTION'S OWN EXPERT DNA WITNESS COULD NOT TESTIFY TO SUCH. A

PROSECUTOR MARTINEZ ALSO TOLD JUROR IT WAS REGULAR PRACTICE

FOR POLICE INVESTIGATOR TO WALK THROUGH THE CRIME SCENE WITHOUT

GLOVES WHILE PICKING ITEMS UP FOR INSPECTION. IT SHOULD BE NOTED

MR. CRR WAS SUSPENDED FOR FOUR YEARS INVOLVING CONDUCT RELATED TO

PETITIONER DIXON'S TRIAL BUT PETITIONER DIXON HAS BEEN UNABLE

SO FAR TO ASCERTAIN THE PERTINENT FACTS. JUAN MARTINEZ HAS BEEN

DISBARRED FOR UNETHICAL BEHAVIOR IN THE JODI ARIAS TRIAL, AND

APPELLATE COUNSEL WOULD NOT RAISE THE NAU CLAIM DESPITE

PETITIONER DIXON'S ENTREATIES TO DO SO. (APPENDIX AFFIDAVIT, DIXON)

LAST BUT NOT LEAST, BOTH COUNTRIMAN AND CRR WOULD NOT TELL

PETITIONER DIXON WHO A PROSPECTIVE WITNESS LIED TO 1978 POLICE

CONCERNING A INTIMATE RELATIONSHIP HE HAD WITH THE VICTIM. THE

LAW AND THOSE OATHED TO REPRESENT THE LAW WERE NOT ADEQUATELY

ADDERUALLY PRESENCE IN THIS DEATH PENALTY CASE!

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PETITIONER

} SECOND RESPONSE TO STATE'S

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} REPLY TO FIRST RESPONSE

DAVID STINN,

)

DIRECTOR, DEPT. OF

}

CORRECTIONS, RESPONDENT.

} (DEATH SENTENCE CASE)

PETITIONER DIXON SECOND RESPONSE TO THE STATES REPLY TO DIXON'S

FIRST RESPONSE WOULD CHALLENGE THE STATES ASSERTION THAT DIXON

PROVIDES NO REASONABLE EXPLANATION WHY HIS PETITION FOR WRIT

OF HABEAS CORPUS SHOULD REMAIN UNDER ARIZONA SUPREME COURT SECURITY

FIRST, ALTHOUGH DIXON CANNOT POINT TO ANYONE SPECIFIC

SENTENCE OR PARAGRAPH IN HIS PRO SE PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS

CORPUS, DIXON INFERS HE CANNOT RECEIVE ADEQUATE

REVIEW OF HIS CLAIM THAT CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICERS DID NOT HAVE

AUTHORITY TO THOROUGHLY OR EVEN PARTIALLY INVESTIGATE THE

JUNE 10, 1985 SEXUAL ASSAULT OF VICTIM JIS WHO TESTIFIED AT

HIS 2007-2008 FIRST DEGREE MURDER/DEATH SENTENCE TRIAL,

DIXON STATED IN HIS PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

THAT NO JUSTICE OR JUDGE HAD EVER PROVIDED STATEMENTS OF

FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW IN SUPPORT OF THEIR DENIALS.

PETITION, PAGE 6, LINE 8 - 10.

THIS INFERS THAT THE 2007-08 TRIAL COURT ALSO DID NOT
 PROVIDE FACTS AND LAW IN DENYING DIXON'S CLAIM. THE
 TRIAL COURT'S ~~REFUSAL~~ OBVIOUS REFUSAL TO APPLY CLEARLY
 AND PLAINLY STATE LAW AND STATUTES BEGS THE QUESTION WHETHER
 IT WILL CHANGE ^{its} DEMONSTRATEDLY PREJUDICED MIND.

THIS REFUSAL TO CORRECTLY APPLY THE ^{LAW} IN A DEATH SENTENCE
 CASE EFFECTIVELY FORGETS THE TRIAL COURT'S RULE 32
 PETITION OBLIGATIONS AND DUTIES.

IN OTHER WORDS, THE STATE'S ASSERTION THAT DIXON IS
 WITHOUT REASONABLE CAUSE OR EXPLANATION FOR KEEPING HIS PROSE
 PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS UNDER ARIZONA SUPREME COURT

JURISDICTION IS COUNTERED. THERE IS A HIGH PROBABILITY THAT
THE TRIAL COURT WILL NOT CHANGE ITS POSITION AND THEREFORE
CLOSE SCRUTINY SHOULD REMAIN WITH THE ARIZONA SUPREME
COURT.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS 19 DAY OF MAY 2021.

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CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON,

PETITIONER.

V.

STATE OF ARIZONA, ET AL,

RESPONDENT.

NO. _____

PETITION FOR WRIT OF

CERTIORARI TO THE

ARIZONA SUPREME COURT

(DEATH SENTENCE CASE)

CAPITAL CASE

QUESTION PRESENTED

SINCE 1991, WHEN PETITIONER DIXON (DIXON) DISCOVERED THAT ARIZONA'S
UNIVERSITIES CAMPUS POLICE WERE NOT FULLY VESTED WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT
POWERS, DIXON HAS SOUGHT RELIEF IN COCONINO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT, MARICOPA
COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT, COURT OF APPEALS, DIVISION I, AND THE ARIZONA
SUPREME COURT. ALL PETITIONS WERE DENIED WITHOUT STATEMENTS OF FACT
AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW SUPPORTING THE DENIALS. FOUR POST-CONVICTION RELIEF
PETITIONS AND ONE SPECIAL ACTION HAVE NOT BROUGHT ANY STATE JUDGE OR JUDGE
TO READ OR APPLY THE LAW AS IT STOOD IN JUNE 1985.

THE QUESTION PRESENTED BY THIS PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS IS

THE FOLLOWING: DOES THE SUPREME COURT HAVE JURISDICTION TO ADJUDICATE

JUSTICE UNDER A THREE-TIER COURT SYSTEM DELIBERATELY AND SYSTEMATICALLY

DEPRIVE A PRISONER SENTENCED TO DEATH THE RIGHT TO DUE PROCESS

AND EQUAL PROTECTION BY INTENTIONALLY IGNORING THE LAW WHICH CLEARLY

BENEFITED THE PRISONER?

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IN THE SUPREME COURT

OF THE UNITED STATES

PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

PETITIONER PRAYS THAT A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS BE ISSUED TO
REVIEW THE JUDGMENT BELOW.

THE OPINIONS BELOW

THE OPINION OF THE HIGHEST STATE COURT TO REVIEW THE MERITS

APPEARS AS APPENDIX A TO THE PETITION AND IS UNPUBLISHED

BECAUSE THE PETITION FOR AN ORIGINAL WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

WENT DIRECT TO THE ALABAMA SUPREME COURT WHICH ACCEPTED ORIGINAL

JURISDICTION AND DENIED THE PETITION, THEREFORE NO LOWER COURT

OPINION EXISTS.

JURISDICTION

THE DATE OF WHICH THE HIGHEST STATE COURT DECIDED MY CASE WAS MAY 21, 2021. A COPY OF THAT DECISION APPEARS AT APPENDIX A. A TIMELY PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION WAS THEREAFTER DENIED ON THE FOLLOWING DATE: JUNE 11, 2021. A COPY OF THE ORDER DENYING RECONSIDERATION APPEARS AT APPENDIX B.

ON NOVEMBER 16, 2021, THE CLERK OF THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT, SCOTT S. HARRIS, BY CLAUDE ADLE GRANTED PETITIONER SIXTY ADDITIONAL DAYS TO REFILE THIS PRO SE PETITION.

THE JURISDICTION OF THIS COURT IS INVOKED UNDER 28 USC SECTION 1257 (A).

CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY PROVISIONS INVOLVED

UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENTS 4, 6, 8, AND 14

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

PETITIONER CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON IS A DEATH ROW PRISONER

WHEN THE STATE OF ARIZONA IS ACTIVELY SEEKING AN EXECUTION DATE.

THIS PETITION FOR WRIT CERTIORARI IS SUPPORTED BY THE FOURTH,

SIXTH, EIGHTH, AND FOURTEENTH AMENDMENTS TO THE UNITED STATES

CONSTITUTION. THIS PETITION IS ALSO SUPPORTED BY THE ARIZONA

CONSTITUTION, ARIZONA STATUTES AND LIKE LETTER LAW.

BEING TOTALLY BLIND, PETITIONER DIXON BEGS THIS COURT'S

INDULGENCE.

REASONS FOR GRANTING THE PETITION

ON JANUARY 24, 2008, IN MARICOPA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT, A JURY FOUND DIXON GUILTY OF THE MURDER OF DENNA L. BORDOIN AND SENTENCED HIM TO DEATH. BEFORE TRIAL, DIXON SOUGHT TO HAVE THE DNA AND WITNESS TESTIMONY EXCLUDED AS POISONOUS FRUIT. SAID MOTION WAS DENIED.

IN JUNE 1985 AJS WAS KIDNAPPED AND SEXUALLY ASSAULTED AND DIXON WAS FOUND GUILTY AND SENTENCED TO SEVEN CONSECUTIVE LIFE SENTENCES FOR THE ASSAULT. STATE V. DIXON, 153 ARIZ 151 (1982)

IN 1997 A CRIME DETECTIVE HAD A DNA HIT THAT MATCHED DNA FOUND ON DENNA L. BORDOIN'S PANTIES. STATE V. DIXON, 226 ARIZ. 345 (2011).

WITN AJS WAS A NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY (RED ASSAULTED OFF -

CAMPUS. THE ASSAULT OCCURRED ON JUNE 10, 1985. THE ASSAULT
 OCCURRED ONE HUNDRED TO ONE HUNDRED-FIFTY YARDS SOUTH OF LONG
 TREE ROAD AT THE END APPROXIMATELY TWO TO THREE HUNDRED YARDS
 SOUTH OF THE INTERSTATE 4 OVERPASS RUNNING EAST & WEST. THE CRIME
 SCENE IS OFF-CAMPUS.

THE NAU SECURITY OFFICERS INVESTIGATED; THEY INTERVIEWED
 WITNESSES AND THE VICTIM, GATHERED EVIDENCE, OBTAINED TWO SEARCH WARRANTS
 AND A COURT ORDER, AND TESTIFIED AT TRIAL AS POLICE OFFICERS.

THE NAU SECURITY OFFICERS WERE WITHOUT JURISDICTION BECAUSE
 ARIZONA STATUTE ALLOWED FOR ONLY ON-CAMPUS INVESTIGATIONS. ~~THE~~
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 OFFICERS WERE LIMITED TO ON-CAMPUS GROUNDS AND ACTIVITIES. SEE

APPENDIX. THIS LIMITATION IN AUTHORITY AND POWER IS BUTTRESSED BY ARS 1-215(23)(1981) (DEFINITION OF WHO IS A PEACE OFFICER.) SEE APPENDIX. THAT STATUTE DOES NOT INCLUDE CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICERS IN THE DEFINITION OF WHO IS A PEACE OFFICER.

BLACK LETTER LAW CONTAINED IN CAMPUS JURIS SECONDARY, JURISPRUDENCE PLAINLY STATES THAT ISSUES OF JURISDICTION MAY BE BROUGHT AT ANY TIME. IN 1992 THE ARIZONA SUPREME COURT SAID THAT IT MUST SCRUTINIZE CLOSELY WHERE A DEATH SENTENCE HAS BEEN IMPOSED. *State v. Brewer*, 170 ARIZ. 456 (1992).

THE JURORS HEARD THE PROSECUTOR LIE THAT DENNIS DAVIS WAS ON THE MURDER WEAPON, HEARD THE PROSECUTOR NOT BE ABLE TO PLACE DIXON AT THE CRIME SCENE, WAS NEVER GIVEN REASONS WHY THE

BOYFRIENDS BROTHER AND ANOTHER PERSON'S DNA WERE FOUND ON THE

BEDSHEET IN A SOFTBALL SIZE WET SPOT IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE

BODY, WAS NOT TOLD THE VICTIM WAS SEXUALLY ACTIVE BEFORE THE BOY-

FRIENDS TESTIMONIAL KNOWLEDGE: ALL OF WHICH WAS INSTANTLY NEGATED

AS TO REASONABLE DOUBT WHEN AJS TESTIFIED. THE CHALLENGED

AJS VICTIM TESTIMONY ADMITTED 2007-08 TRIAL REMOVED ANY

REASONABLE DOUBT ARGUMENTS IN FACT WITH ITS FATALITY PREJUDICE

AND BIAS WEIGHT. THE ARIZONA SUPREME COURT KNOWINGLY AND

WILLINGLY USED AS UNLAWFUL AND UNCONSTITUTIONAL CONVICTION TO

AFFECT A STATUTORY EXECUTION MANIFESTING JUSTICE WITHOUT LAW

FURTHER, A READING OF A.R.S. § 16-27 (1991) OFFERS CLEAR

GUIDANCE WHERE UNKNOWN SECURITY OFFICERS WERE HELD, AND A

DELIBERATE MISREADING OF THIS STATUTE IS NOT ONE BUT MANY AND

AND ALL JUDGES AND JUSTICES INDICATES PRIMA FACIE BIAS AND
PREJUDICE. WHEN A WHOLE BLOCK OF JURISTS MISSTER DELIBERATELY,
THEN SUPREME COURT DECISION IS MANIPULATED. WOULD THIS BE CAUSE
FOR THE SUPREME COURT TO CREATE NEW LAW?

IN A NON-PERFECT CRIMINAL TRIAL, WHERE THE PERFECT PENALTY
OF EXECUTION IS PRESENT, CONSTITUTIONAL GUARANTEES AND THE RULE OF LAW
CANNOT BE ABSENT.

DIXON SOUGHT SELF-REPRESENTATION AT TRIAL BECAUSE HIS COURT
APPOINTED ATTORNEYS WOULD NOT RAISE THE POLICE JURISDICTION CLAIM/
ISSUE ON. SINCE 1991 DIXON HAS CONFRONTED THIS UNWILLINGNESS
BY DEFENSE COUNSEL(S) TO ADVANCE THIS CLAIM/ISSUE. SEE APPENDIX
F.

IV CONCLUSION

DIXON REQUEST THIS COURT REMAND THIS CASE BACK TO
THE ARIZONA SUPREME COURT WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO ACT IN ACCORDANCE
WITH THE COURT'S DECISION.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED 7 DAY OF JANUARY 2022.

CLARENE W. DIXON

CLARENE W. DIXON, 038977

ARIZONA SUPREME COURT

CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON,

Petitioner,

vs.

THE HONORABLE ROBERT
CARTER OLSON, Judge of the
Superior Court of the State of Arizona,
in and for the County of Pinal,

Respondent Judge,

STATE OF ARIZONA,

Real Party in Interest.

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No. CR2002-019595

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No. CR-08-0025-AP

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IN PROPRIA PERSONA

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

NO. 21-6820

CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON

PETITIONER

v.

DAVID SKINN, DIRECTOR,

DEPT. OF CORRECTIONS, ET AL

RESPONDENTS.

REPLY TO STATE'S RESPONSE

(DEATH SENTENCE CASE)

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STATEMENT OF THE CASE

IN DECEMBER 2007 AND JANUARY 2008, MR. DIXON REPRESENTING HIMSELF WAS FOUND GUILTY OF THE FIRST DEGREE MURDER OF DEANNA LYNN BURDEN. STATE V. DIXON, 226 ARIZ. 545, (2011). IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT MR. DIXON REPRESENTED HIMSELF BECAUSE ATTORNEYS VICKI LILES AND GARRETT SIMPSON WOULD NOT ADVOCATE HIS LACK OF POLICE JURISDICTION AND SUBSEQUENT UNLAWFUL VICTIM TESTIMONY AT TRIAL.

MR. DIXON'S UNDERLYING CLAIM IS STRAIGHT FORWARD. IN 1995 N.A.U. CAMPUS POLICE THOROUGHLY INVESTIGATED THE SEXUAL ASSAULT OF A.J.S. THE N.A.U. CAMPUS POLICE OBTAINED EVIDENCE, INTERVIEWED WITNESSES AND THE VICTIM, OBTAINED TWO

TWO SEARCH WARRANTS AND A COURT ORDER, AND TESTIFIED AT

THEIR AS PEACE OFFICERS. AT THE TIME OF THE ASSAULT

AND MR. DIXON'S ARREST, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTE 15-1627 AT

PARAGRAPHS F AND G LIMITED THE CAMPUS POLICE TO TO

ONLY ON-CAMPUS ACTIVITIES AND LAW ENFORCEMENT. THE ASSAULT

OF A.J.S. OCCURRED MORE THAN A MILE SOUTH OF THE CAMPUS.

A.R.S. 1-215(23), DEFINITION OF WHO IS A PEACE OFFICER AT

THE TIME OF THE ASSAULT AND MR. DIXON'S ARREST DID NOT

INCLUDE THE UNIVERSITIES' CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICERS IN ITS

DEFINITION OF WHO IS A PEACE OFFICER:

SINCE 1991 MR. DIXON HAS BROUGHT THIS STRAIGHT
FORWARD CLAIM TO ARIZONA'S JUDICIARY IN FOUR POST-

CONVICTION RELIEF PETITIONS AND ONE SPECIAL ACTION. ALL

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THE MANY ARIZONA JUDGES AND JURISTS WHO HAD THE
OPPORTUNITY AND DUTY TO FOLLOW AND APPLY THE LAW JUDICIALLY
RECOGNIZING THE APPLICABILITY OF A.R.S. 15-1627(1981) AND
A.R.S. 1-215(23)(1981) DELIBERATELY AND SYSTEMATICALLY
DEPRIVED MR. DIXON OF OF CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS FOUND IN
ARIZONA'S AND IN THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTIONS,
IN THE STATE'S RESPONSE, ITS USE OF THE WORD
'ADEQUATE' AS A MEASURE OF THE QUANTITY AND QUALITY OF THE
JURISPRUDENCE AFFORDED A PRISONER SENTENCED TO DEATH IS
WOEFULLY WANTING.

II. ARGUES

MR. SIXON HEREIN REPLIES TO SPECIFIC ARGUMENTS RAISED BY THE STATE RESPONSE OF FEBRUARY 4, 2022. THE PRO SE PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS FILED ON APRIL 15, 2021, NEVER LEFT THE ARIZONA SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION IN ART. II, SECT. 11 OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION. AS SUCH, THE STATE USE OF STATE CRIMINAL RULE 32 ET SEQ. IS NOT APPLICABLE. THE SCOPE AND PURPOSE OF THE WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS APPLIES ONLY.

ADDITIONALLY, BECAUSE THE STATE SUPREME COURT WAS PRESENTED WITH THE LACK OF N.A.H. POLICE JURISDICTION COUPLED TO THE UNPUNISHED TESTIMONY OF THE 1985 SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIM AT DANN'S 2007-2008 TRIAL, THIS

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PRESENTS THE HIGH STATE COURT WITH AN ISSUE OF JURIS-

DICTION WHICH MAY BE RAISED AT ANY TIME. THE STATE DID NOT

ADDRESS THIS ISSUE IN ITS RESPONSE.

AFTER HIS CONVICTION AND SENTENCE OF DEATH IN JANUARY

2008, MR. DIXON WAS REPRESENTED ON DIRECT APPEAL BY

CONSTANCE O'HANSTAN, KERRIE DROBAN, SARAH STONE, AND KAREN

WILKINSON. ALL THESE ATTORNEYS WERE CONTACTED BY MR.

DIXON VIA MAIL AND TOLD OF THE CLAIM THAT THE N. A. L.

POLICE LACKED JURISDICTION IN 1985 AND THAT THE VICTIM'S

TESTIMONY IN HIS 2007-2008 FIRST DEGREE MURDER TRIAL

WAS UNLAWFUL. ALL FOUR ATTORNEYS REFUSED TO INCLUDE

THIS CLAIM IN THEIR APPEAL IN STATE AND FEDERAL

PROCEEDINGS. SEE APPENDIX F.

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IT IS WORTH NOTING THAT ISSUES OF JURISDICTION MAY BE BROUGHT
AT ANY TIME. CORPUS JURIS SECUNDUM, 'JURISDICTION'.

THE STATE ASSETS IN ITS RESPONSE THAT MR. DIXON DID NOT
PRESENT A FEDERAL QUESTION. BUT THAT ARGUMENT IGNORES THE
REASONS ADVANCED BY MR. DIXON FOR GRANTING CERTIORARI ON PAGES
3 THROUGH 10 OF MR. DIXON'S PETITION FOR CERTIORARI.
THOSE REASONS ARISE UNDER THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION,
SPECIFICALLY THE FOURTH, SIXTH, EIGHTH, AND FOURTEENTH
AMENDMENTS. ID.

III. CONCLUSION.

THE PRINCIPLE DUTY AND OBLIGATION OF THE STATE
ATTORNEY GENERAL IS THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.
BY ALLOWING PROSECUTORS AND THE JUDICIARY TO IGNORE STATE

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STATUTES AND UPHOLD UNLAWFUL AND UNCONSTITUTIONAL

CONVICTIONS, MR. DIXON ASSERTS THAT THERE IS A NON-

COMPLIANCE WITH AND A REDEFINING OF THE MEANING OF

DUTY AND OBLIGATION ERRONEOUSLY AND SUBJECTIVELY TILTING

THE SCALES OF JUSTICE TOWARDS GUILT AND CONVICTION.

MR. DIXON REQUEST THAT THE COURT REMAND HIS CASE

FOR RETRIAL OR REVERSAL OF THE CONVICTION CONSISTENT WITH

THIS COURT'S LAST RESORT ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

DATED THIS 16TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2022.

Clarence W. Dixon

CLARENCE W. DIXON (28977)

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5. Court: ☐ municipal ☐ justice ☐ superior ☐ court of appeals ☒ supreme court
6. Did you have a case before this judge? ☒ Yes ☐ No. If yes, is the case still pending? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- a. Case name and number: STATS V. DIXON; DIXON V. SKINN
- b. List any attorneys who appeared in the case:
EN PROTEA PERSONA
- c. List names and phone numbers of any witnesses who observed the judge's conduct:

7. I understand the commission **cannot** reverse court orders or assign a new judge to a case: ☒ Yes ☐ No
8. Please read the following statement and sign on the line below:

I affirm, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing information and the allegations contained in the attached complaint are true.

Charles W. Dixon
Signature

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

Name: CLARENCE DIXON Judge's Name: AZ SET JUSTICES

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(See Attached)

COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

CLARENCE WAKE DIXON, COMPLAINANT

ANDREW GOULD, JUSTICE, ARIZONA SUPREME COURT

I AM FILING A COMPLAINT AGAINST JUSTICE GOULD FOR HIS

FAILURE TO CORRECTLY APPLY RELEVANT STATUTES AND FAILING TO

FOLLOW REQUIRED JUDICIAL PROCESS WHILE ALLOWING

BLATANTLY INCORRECT . INCORRECT LOWER COURT DECISIONS TO

STAND IN MY ROSE PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

JUSTICE GOULD REFUSED TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND APPEAL THROUGH

CLOSE SCRUTINY 1 A.R.S. 1-215(23)(1981) AND A.R.S. 15-1627 (1981)

BUT FULLY ACKNOWLEDGES THE APPLICATION OF ARIZONA'S

DEATH SENTENCE STATUTES . EQUAL PROTECTION, DUE PROCESS,

AND FAIRNESS CANNOT BE FOUND IN JUSTICE GOULD'S DECISION TO DENY

MY PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS IN THE SUPREME COURT.

THIS VIOLATION CAN BE FOUND IN THE CODE OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT
CANON TWO IMPARTIALITY AND FAIRNESS.

I HAVE PROVIDED THE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT A COPY OF THE
LAW AND ARGUMENTS PORTION OF MY PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS
CORPUS AND COPIES OF THE TWO POINTERS RELEVANT PRI ARSON
STATUTES, ARS 1-215(23) AND ARS 15-1627 IN APPENDIX A.

I STRONGLY REQUEST THAT JUSTICE ANDREW GOULD BE
DISBARRED. HIS DENIAL OF MY CLAIM WAS COMPLETELY LACKING IN
PROFESSIONAL WORKMANSHIP AND HIS ADHERENCE TO HIS OATH TO
OFFICE. HIS CONDUCT OR LACK THEREOF WILL ALLOW THE
STATE TO INFLICT A CONSTITUTIONALLY INFIRM IF NOT ILLEGAL
AND IMMORAL HOMICIDE UPON MY PERSON AND BODY.

THIS COMPLAINT IS SUBMITTED ON THIS 11th DAY OF APRIL

2022.

Clarence W. Dixon

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2. Mailing Address: P.O. Box 8200

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b. List any attorneys who appeared in the case:

EN PROTEA PERSONA

c. List names and phone numbers of any witnesses who observed the judge's conduct:

N/A

7. I understand the commission **cannot** reverse court orders or assign a new judge to a case: ☒ Yes ☐ No

8. Please read the following statement and sign on the line below:

I affirm, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing information and the allegations contained in the attached complaint are true.

Charles W. Dixon
Signature

APR. 8 2022
Date

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON, COMPLAINANT

ANN SCOTT TIMMER, SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

I AM FILING A COMPLAINT AGAINST JUSTICE TIMMER FOR FAILING TO

APPLY RELEVANT STATUTES AND JUDICIAL PROCESS WHILE ALLOWING

BLATANTLY ERROR-FILLED LOWER COURT DECISIONS TO STAND IN MY

PRO SE PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

JUSTICE TIMMER REFUSED TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND APPLY THERE

CLOSE SCRUTINY. A.R.S. 1-215(23)(1981) AND A.R.S. 15-1627(1981)

FULLY ACKNOWLEDGES AND IS ALLOWING THE APPLICATION AND

IMPLEMENTATION OF ARIZONA'S DEATH SENTENCE STATUTES.

EQUAL PROTECTION, DUE PROCESS AND FAIRNESS CANNOT BE FOUND

IN JUSTICE TIMMER'S DENIAL OF MY PRO SE PETITION. THIS

IS A VIOLATION OF CANON TWO, CODE OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT, IMPARTIALITY AND FAIRNESS.

I HAVE PROVIDED THE COMMISSION WITH A COPY OF THE LAW AND ARGUMENTS PORTION OF MY PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS AND THE COPIES OF THE 1981 STATUTES, 1-2115(23) AND 15-1607, AT APPENDIX A.

I STRONGLY REQUEST THAT JUSTICE TURNER'S ACTION OR INACTION IN CONSIDERING MY PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS BE GROUNDS FOR DISBARMENT. THIS LACK OF APPROPRIATE AND PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT ALLOWS FOR THE UNCONSTITUTIONALLY INFIRM, ILLEGAL AND IMMORAL GHOULISH INFLECTION OF A HOMICIDE UPON MY PERSON AND BODY. (THE ARIZONA CONSTITUTION EMPOWERS EACH SUPREME COURT JUSTICE HIS OR HER INDIVIDUAL CHOICE TO GRANT WRITS OF

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON, COMPLAINANT

KATHRYN KING, SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

I AM FILING A COMPLAINT AGAINST JUSTICE KING FOR FAILING TO APPLY
RELEVANT STATUTES AND APPROPRIATE JUDICIAL PROCESS, WHILE ALLOWING
BUT NOT ERRORING LOWER STATE COURT DECISIONS TO STAND. IN MY RO &
PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS, JUSTICE KING REFUSED TO ACKNOWLEDGE
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WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS.

JUSTICE KING BIAS AND PREJUDICE IN MY CASE IS A VIOLATION OF

CANON TWO, CODE OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT, IMPARTIALITY AND FAIRNESS.

I HAVE PROVIDED THE COMMISSION WITH THE LAW AND ARGUMENTS
PORTION OF MY PRO SE PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS
AND STATUTES A.R.S. 1-2623 (1991) AND A.R.S. 15-107 (1991) IN THE
ATTACHED APPENDIX A.

I STRONGLY REQUEST THAT THE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT FIND
JUSTICE KING'S DENIAL OF MY PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS TO BE
COMPLETELY LACKING IN PROFESSIONAL WORKMANSHIP AND AVOIDANCE
OF HER OATH OF OFFICE. JUSTICE KING SHOULD THEREFORE BE DISBARRED.
HER LACK OF IMPARTIALITY AND FAIRNESS WILL HAVE CAUSE TO IMPACT A
CONSTITUTIONALLY INFIRM IF NOT ILLEGAL IF NOT IMMORAL MURKIN UPON A
PERSON AND BODY.

THE ARIZONA CONSTITUTION GIVES EACH JUSTICE INDIVIDUALLY THE POWER

TO GRANT WRITS OF HABEAS CORPUS.

I AM 95% BLIND AND BEG THE COMMISSIONER'S INDULGENCE.

SUBMITTED THIS 11th DAY OF APRIL 2022.

Clarence Wilson

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COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON, COMPLAINANT

WILLIAM MONTGOMERY, JUSTICE, ARIZONA SUPREME COURT

I AM FILING A COMPLAINT AGAINST JUSTICE MONTGOMERY FOR HIS FAILURE TO CORRECTLY APPLY RELEVANT STATUTES AND FOLLOW JUDICIAL PROCESS. WHILE ALLOWING ERROR-FILLED LOWER STATE COURT DECISION TO STAND... IN MY ROSE PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS.

JUSTICE REFUSED TO APPLY AND ACKNOWLEDGE... THROUGH CLOSE SCRUTINY. A.R.S. 1-216(23)(1981) AND A.R.S. 15-1627(1981).

WHILE IGNORING THESE RELEVANT STATUTES CONTAINED WITHIN MY CLAIM, JUSTICE MONTGOMERY READILY RECOGNIZES AND ALLOWS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ARIZONA'S DEATH SENTENCE STATUTES.

EQUAL PROTECTION, DUE PROCESS AND FAIRNESS CANNOT BE FOUND

FOUND IN JUSTICE MONTGOMERY'S DENIAL OF MY PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS.

JUSTICE MONTGOMERY'S BIAS AND PREJUDICE IN MY CASE IS A VIOLATION OF CANON TWO, CODE OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT, IMPARTIALITY AND FAIRNESS.

I HAVE PROVIDED THE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT WITH THE LAW AND ARGUMENT PORTION OF MY PRO SE PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS AND COPIES OF 1981 STATUTES 1-21623 AND 15-1627 IN THE ATTACHED APPENDIX A.

I STRONGLY REQUEST THE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT FIND JUSTICE MONTGOMERY'S DENIAL OF MY PETITION TO BE SEVERELY LACKING IN PROFESSIONAL WORKMANSHIP AND A VIOLATION OF HIS OATH OFFICE IN ADDITION TO A CODE VIOLATION.

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 JUSTICE MONTGOMERY'S CONDUCT ALLOWS THE STATE BY
 WAY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO GHOULISHLY INFLECT A
 CONSTITUTIONAL INFIRM, ILLEGAL AND UNLAWFUL HOMICIDE UPON MY PERSON
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 JUSTICE WITH THE GRANTING OF A WRIT OF HABEAS
 CORPUS.)

SUBMITTED THIS 11th DAY OF APRIL 2022.

Chame W. Dixon

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DEAR COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON,

QUITE RECENTLY, I SUBMITTED COMPLAINTS REGARDING ARIZONA
SUPREME COURT JUSTICES AND I REQUEST THAT THESE SUPREME
COURT JUSTICES BE DEBARRED. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT SIX OF
THE TWELVE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION WERE APPOINTED BY THE
ARIZONA SUPREME COURT, AND I STRONGLY BELIEVE THESE SIX
MEMBERS SHOULD SERIOUSLY CONSIDER RECUSING THEMSELVES
REGARDING MY COMPLAINT AGAINST THE ARIZONA SUPREME COURT
MEMBERS.

I WANT TO REITERATE THAT I AM REQUESTING DIS-
BARMENT ONLY, THERE IS NO CONFUSION REGARDING
OTHER AVENUES OF REPROVEMENT.

IF THIS COMMISSION CANNOT, WILL NOT, OR IS UNABLE

TO DISBAR THESE SUPREME COURT MEMBERS, I REQUEST
IMMEDIATE NOTIFICATION SO THAT I MAY TAKE MY COMPLAINT TO THE
ARIZONA BAR ASSOCIATION.

I FIND IT UNCONSCIONABLE THAT THESE ARIZONA SUPREME
COURT MEMBERS WOULD LACK PROFESSIONAL INTEGRITY INVOLVING A
CAPITAL CASE. THEIR LACK OF IMPARTIALITY AND FAIRNESS, ~~LEADS~~
~~LEAD~~ DIRECTLY TO AN EXTRA-JUDICIAL KILLING, AN ILLEGAL AND
IMMORAL MURDER CARRIED OUT IN THE NAME OF AND FOR THE GOOD
PEOPLE OF ARIZONA.

THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING THIS LETTER. I AM SINCERELY...

Clarence W. Dixon, 038977

Carlos J. Vega
CURRICULUM VITAE

FOREIGN LANGUAGES
Spanish (fluent)

EDUCATION

**Sept. '78 -- Dec. '81 -- Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, FL.—
Degree Awarded July 1982, Doctor of Psychology from The School of Professional Psychology.**

Sept. '77-July '78 -- Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Degree awarded: Master of Science in Psychology (Counseling and Guidance) from the Behavioral Science Program.

Sept. '75 -- May '77 -- University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL. Degree awarded: Bachelor of Arts, Major in Psychology and Minor in French.

LICENSES AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

State of Arizona licensed (Clinical) psychologist since May 1983 (license #1020).

Arizona Board of Psychologist Oral Examiner (1997)

Past Chair for East Valley Behavior Health Assoc Quality Assurance Committee.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Mar. '87 -- present --Full time private practice.

Aug. '82 -- April '87 --Clinical Director and Clinical Psychologist at the Behavioral Health Agency of Central Arizona. (Jan. '87) Part-time private practice in Phoenix, St. Luke's Medical Building #406.

Sept. '81 --July '82 --Staff Clinical Psychologist at the Miami Mental Health Center, located in Miami FL.

Sept. '80 -- Sept. '81 --Clinical Psychologist Internship at Miami Mental Health Center.

RESEARCH/PROJECTS/PRESENTATIONS

Presented recently on the effects of psychological trauma at CIBHS, a state wide behavioral health agency. several DSM III-R seminars and an interviewing technique seminar to local professionals, a DSM IV seminar to case managers, and two seminars on Psych. Testing to social service providers. Conducted study subsidized by DES of MMPI (personality testing) findings on maltreating mothers in Pinal and Gila Counties. Presented study of human figure drawings of sexually abused girls at NCCMHS. Have also made formal presentations in Spanish such as one on EMG biofeedback in San Juan, Puerto Rico to Puerto Rican graduate students.

MAJOR EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS ATTENDED

(A few of the recent ones)

Training MH Experts in Legal Competency and Restoration. Current Trends in Psychopharmacology. Conducting Effective Mental Status and Risk Assessment. Two of the Annual US Psychiatric and Mental Health Congresses. Recent MMPI-2 & MMPI-A symposia by Dr. Butcher. Dr. Amen's The Healing Brain. Innovations in Addiction Treatment & Behavioral Health Care.

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PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION
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NAME: Clarence W Dixon
DATE OF BIRTH:
AGE: 66 years old
DATE OF EVALUATION: April 23, 2022
EVALUATOR: Carlos J. Vega, Psy.D.
CASE NUMBER: CR2002-019595

REFERAL STATEMENT

Clarence is a 66-year-old Native American male who was court ordered for a psychological evaluation involving a competency matter that exceeds the usual issues covered by a general Rule 11 Exam. With guidance from the Attorney General's Office this evaluation needs to address the following questions:

1. Is Clarence Dixon's mental state so distorted, or his concept of reality so impaired, that he lacks a rational understanding of the State's rationale for his execution?
2. Is Clarence Dixon, due to a mental disease or defect, presently unaware that he is to be punished for the crime of murder or unaware that the impending punishment for that crime is death?
- 3.

This report addresses Clarence's general psychological functioning, and the referral concerns are summarily addressed in the final section of this report.

ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

Clinical Interview *Mental Status Examination *Competency Inquiry *Review of Reports Available

RESULTS OF ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

Documents reviewed include the "Motion to Determine Mental Competency to be Executed" dated April 8, 2022. The motion indicates that "...Clarence Dixon is a 66-year-old legally blind man of Native American ancestry, who has long suffered from a psychotic disorder—paranoid schizophrenia. Previously, an Arizona court determined that he was mentally incompetent and legally insane. Mr. Dixon has a documented history of delusions, auditory and visual hallucinations, and paranoid ideation. On April 5, 2022, the Arizona Supreme Court issued a warrant of execution scheduling Mr. Dixon's execution date for May 11, 2022...Mr. Dixon's execution by the State of Arizona will violate A.R.S. § 13-4021, which prohibits the State from executing an individual who is mentally incompetent to be executed. Mr. Dixon's execution will also violate the Eighth Amendment to the United States Constitution...which "prohibit[s] a State from carrying out a sentence of death upon a prisoner who is insane." As set forth below, Mr. Dixon's mental illness renders him incompetent to be executed by depriving him of the ability to rationally

comprehend the meaning and purpose of the punishment the State of Arizona seeks to exact by his execution—that is, Mr. Dixon’s mental illness thwarts his ability to form a rational understanding of the State’s reasons for his execution... Mr. Dixon has a long and well-documented history of severe mental illness, including prior findings of incompetency, a legal finding of not guilty by reason of insanity (NGRI), and multiple diagnoses of paranoid schizophrenia... in September 1977, Mr. Dixon was found incompetent by two different court-appointed psychiatrists... He was released from ASH approximately two months later, after a third psychiatrist found he regained competency to stand trial. At trial for the 1977 assault, Mr. Dixon was found NGRI and released...recognizing Mr. Dixon’s serious mental illness...the trial judge also ordered the State to commence civil commitment proceedings. The murder, for which Mr. Dixon is sentenced to death in these current proceedings, occurred on January 7, 1978, less than 48 hours after the trial judge had ordered the State to institute civil commitment proceedings... Subsequently, in 1981, a psychological evaluation of Mr. Dixon administered by the Arizona Department of Corrections described symptoms consistent with his paranoid schizophrenic psychotic disorder...and that he experiences “grossly disturbed perceptual and thought patterns, clear paranoid ideation, feelings of frustration, and moderate agitation...producing inefficiency of intellectual functioning...”

Documents reviewed reveal that in May 2001 Tempe Police Department matched DNA evidence to Clarence W Dixon, of the 1978 murder of 21-year-old Arizona State University Student Deana Bowdoin. Dixon was serving life sentences in prison for a 1986 sexual assault. Dixon, at one point had been released on parole in March 1985, and on April 2, he grabbed a woman in the parking lot at Northern Arizona University, holding a knife to her throat. On June 10, he grabbed a female jogger on the road near NAU. While holding her at knife point, he walked her to the woods where he tied her hands and sexually assaulted the woman. Dixon was arrested, convicted, and sentenced to seven consecutive life terms. A prior psychiatric evaluation indicated that “Mr. Dixon reported no involvement with the Juvenile Justice System...”, however there are documents that indicate that as a child he was cruel to animals and may have molested his sister. “...He said he was first convicted of “DUI's" when he was eighteen and nineteen in Gallup, NM. He also stated that he was charged with soliciting prostitution in 1978. He said that he spent five days in jail...” In 1977 he assaulted a young girl whom he thought was his ex-wife or (she looked like his ex-wife)...” In 2005, Clarence was charged with the 1978 sexual assault and murder of a university student. In 1985 Clarence had been convicted in Coconino County of seven counts arising from the sexual assault of a student on the campus at NAU. He was on parole at the time of these offenses and therefore he received seven consecutive life sentences in that case.

Aside, and at times related to Clarence history of antisociality is his admitted history of psychoactive substance abuse. Documents reviewed indicated that Clarence was around 16 years old when he began to use alcohol. He stated that eventually his drinking increased to daily use of etoh. He reported that this went on from 1977 until September 1978 and that it included usually drinking beer but at times he would drink an entire bottle of vodka. He acknowledged to having had frequent blackouts "about once every two or three weeks" from the vodka.

I met with Clarence on April 22 via Google Meet video set up. Clarence is being housed at the Browning Unit at the DOC in Florence. I introduced myself and went over the reason for my visit. Clarence was immediately amenable and cooperative. He stated that he had been in "the DOC for 36 years “and added that he was "on death row” and he was going to be executed “in 11 days.”

Even though his psychosocial history is well documented, to help establish a good rapport I obtained a summary of his background information. Clarence reported that he was from Fort Defiance in Arizona. He stated that this was approximately 100 miles from the four corners area. He reported that he has two sisters

and three brothers and acknowledged that he wasn't close to any of them and had lost contact. It's been documented in prior evaluations that Clarence never really felt connected to anyone. He went on to describe himself as a loner. He reiterated that which has been documented in terms of not having any friends. He did mention having had a friend in the sixth grade and that the relationship lasted several years, but admits that this relationship also ended decades ago. With regards to his education, he said that he was an average student in high school and that he was "one semester away from a bachelor's degree in fine arts".

With regards to employment, he stated that he worked approximately a total of "four or five years" and that he was an auto mechanic. He added that he worked two years in the reservation and "two years off [the reservation]". He stated that he enjoyed working.

He was married at one time and was with his wife for about two years and denied having children. Documents indicate that he had a very troublesome marriage and she divorced him when incarcerated.

Clarence reported not having had any dealings with behavioral health services growing up. However, documents indicate that he reportedly suffered considerable depression as a youngster. In addition, he describes himself as being avoidant, very shy and reticent in his interpersonal dealings. There's also reports of Clarence having been cruel to animals and having molested his sister. The latter is something he subsequently denied. At any rate, he recalls that he first dealt with behavioral health professionals in 1977 when he was referred to "two psychiatrists" for competency evaluation. The latter was in connection to having "attacked a girl with a pipe". Client stated that he did not know his diagnosis but knew that the mental health professionals stated that he had "deep psychological problems". He does not recall ever having been offered medication and he reports that he never took psychotropic medication. There is a psychological report dated 1981 suggesting that Clarence could benefit from medication, a strong tranquilizer like Haldol. Clarence stated that back then he was "passive, stupid and weak" and that he knew "something was wrong [with him]".

Medically, documents indicate that he's had a number of maladies in the past, including cardiac difficulties when he was much younger. However, Clarence basically identified the issue of his vision and a persistent cough as salient. He expressed a lot of frustration with the DOC because he has requested cough drops and they have not listened to his concern about his persistent cough that requires frequent use of cough drops as treatment. He expressed resentment at the DOC staff for thinking they know better than he does about the coughing. He also complained of the fact that he is now legally blind after undergoing "four useless operations". He angrily remarked "I can't get shit out of the health unit".

FINDINGS

Clarence was alert and oriented across all spheres. He was capable of providing all of his personal identifying information without hesitation. This includes his height at 5'8" tall and his weight of 145 pounds. He stated that lately he's been losing weight. He attributes this to the normal processing of aging. Clarence presents as an older looking and somewhat frail Native American male [Navajo]. He did not appear to be in any physical distress and offered no complaints of a medical nature other than the persistent cough that requires he be given cough drops. He never coughed during our 70-minute session. He is legally blind, and he ambulates with a cane. I observed how he came in the room and folded the cane as he sat in the chair maintaining very good posture. Hygiene and grooming appeared to be within normal limits. He then described the seriousness of his visual difficulties. He advised me that he wasn't able to really detail what I looked like. He stated that with short distances, say a couple of feet, he could make out his hands, fingers and colors but that is difficult for him to watch TV.

Clarence was very easy to engage. He was immediately cordial and personable. It's evident that his cognitive and memory functioning are intact. He's capable of expressing himself very well. He's likely to be above average intellect. His affect was mildly blunted but generally appropriate. He described his mood as "depressed". He then added "wouldn't you be depressed (if you were being put to death in a few days)"? He describes having a reactive depression, an adjustment disorder with depressed mood.

With regards to his sleep, he stated that he was "sleeping a lot". He describes hypersomnia. In addition, he stated that he doesn't have much of an appetite. He also has no interest sexually. Clarence denied suicidal ideation. With regards to homicidal ideation or wanting to hurt others, he stated that the only person he would want to hurt badly would be "Donald Trump". Clarence mentioned to this writer that he does follow politics. It's interesting to note that when I asked him about President Biden, he initially blurted out "incompetent". He then modified his response and stated that with regards to President Biden, he would describe him as "a lackluster leader". When I asked about auditory hallucinations, Clarence stated that there are times when he hears his name being called. He described how he heard his name emanating from the side of his head or behind him. He went on to report that he understood that this auditory hallucination was "in [his] head". With regards to visual hallucinations, he stated that sometimes he sees "white squares" and it's annoying because they get in the way of the little vision that he does have when he's watching television. He then revealed that the most frustrating visual hallucination he has pertains to seeing "a little white boy dancing with red and white striped shirt on." He added that this really "pisses [him] off". He explained that he doesn't understand why it has to be a "white boy" that he sees. He would prefer seeing "an Indian boy since I am a Navajo". The hallucinatory experiences he describes appear to be more neurologically than psychiatrically relevant. He responds to the hallucinations with annoyance rather than incorporate them into any kind of a delusional system. He denies ever having had command hallucinations or mood related hallucinations. Interestingly, Clarence himself commented that his hallucinatory experiences may be due to him having "a tumor".

With regards to psychoactive substances, Clarence acknowledges that there was a time back in the late 70's that he had frequent blackouts "about once every two or three weeks" from vodka. He describes having an alcohol dependence. After his incarceration, he learned how to make "hooch" and, years ago, one of the inmates told him that making hooch could be very dangerous and since then he hasn't had any issues regarding the use of psychoactive substances. Notwithstanding, when discussing the issue of the murder conviction Clarence essentially describes having been in an alcoholic blackout because he could not remember what had happened that night.

When it comes to social support system, Clarence reported that he did have a couple of female pen pals. However, he stated that he can't find his address book and he has not been able to keep in touch with these individuals. In addition, he stated that he does have a "spiritual leader" who has been visiting with him since 1986. He stated that his name was Len Foster. It's interesting to know that Clarence initially became rather accusatory of the DOC staff regarding his address book. He began to rant about the fact that the staff had taken his address book and was ascribing malevolent intentions. This went on for a couple of minutes and then Clarence switched gears and stated that perhaps he had misplaced his address book. He remarked needing to do a more thorough search for his address book. This disclosure about the address book is quite revealing when it comes to a Clarence. It shows his tendency to externalize blame to the point that it borders on paranoia but then he recovers. If Clarence's proclivity was to become delusional when suspecting he's been harmed, then one would have expected Clarence to develop and hold on to a position that staff were actively persecuting and tormenting him. He would have contended how this was further evidence of DOC staff targeting him and colluding against him. However, that was not the case at all. Had

he been prone to delusions (as a supposed paranoid schizophrenic) he would've never shifted gears and acknowledge the possibility that perhaps he misplaced the address book.

COMPETENCY INQUIRY

With regards to the incident in 1977 where Clarence "... attacked a girl with a pipe...", Clarence described how he was walking down that side walk and hit her. Asked if the girl reminded him of anyone and he said "no" but he did intimate that there were things going on with him when he assaulted her. I asked him, why did you hit her and essentially he responded that he hit her "because she was there" Asked what he did after he hit her and if he felt bad about hitting her and he said that after he hit her he ran and that he did feel bad about hitting her "... but mostly, I did not want to get caught".

Regarding the DNA and the murder conviction, legally Clarence reiterated that which has been well documented. He assured me it was an illegal conviction and that his DNA was collected by the NAU police and they did not have jurisdiction etc. I focused my inquiry on assessing what transpired and whether he was involved. Clarence initially stated he didn't know the victim but eventually acknowledged that he must have been with her on that fateful night. He stated that he did "not know anything about what went on...I have an idea where it happened...but [only know] what I read in the police report". Were you drunk? "Probably, I was a big drinker at the time..." At that point I tactfully confronted him and suggested that if he had had a blackout as he intimated, that he could have killed her and not remember. Clarence immediately remarked "No, no no [regarding murder], I know I had sex with her". Later he denied having said that he knew he had sex with her. He explained that he didn't remember having sex with her but stated knowing he had sex with her because "my DNA was there" and "...I'm not denying the evidence" In other words, he'll readily accept that he had sex with her even though he does not remember but he does not believe he killed her. Parenthetically, Clarence also made mention that police had DNA from another individual in that case that was ignored and proceeded to engage in the proverbial blaming of the victim as he detailed how the victim was someone who was known to have numerous sexual partners implying others may have had motive. He felt that focusing on him alone was not fair. Despite his lengthy description of the victim's sexual partners, Clarence insisted that he didn't "remember that girl". He went on to explain that had he killed her on purpose then maybe he deserved the death penalty, adding "... but if I was in another state, they wouldn't be killing me..." He then reported being unfortunate because he is here in Arizona and everyone "says we gotta kill him". He indicated knowing "whether [he] did it or not [it] isn't going to change a damn thing. [He] can't bring that girl back... If [he] could [he] would.". Lastly, when Clarence was asked, hypothetically, how he would feel if he were to suddenly have a memory of having killed her and he replied that if he were to recall having murdered that girl, he would have a sense of relief on his way to his execution.

CONCLUSION & RECOMMENDATIONS

After reviewing all the documentation and considering the results of this evaluation, it is evident to this writer that Clarence is primarily suffering from an antisocial personality disorder with salient paranoid and narcissistic personality characteristics. There are a number of references made to Clarence suffering from schizophrenia. However, throughout his imprisonment that spans over 3 decades, he was never treated for a psychotic disorder. At one time when he was younger, he is described as having suffered severe depression. In the past he may have at times experienced episodes of psychosis. However, there is no evidence that Clarence is experiencing active symptoms of schizophrenia at this time. He reports hallucinations that appear to be more neurologically, than psychiatrically relevant. The notion that he is delusional, because of his insistence on errantly applying inapplicable case law to have his murder conviction overturned, is unfounded. There is no doubt that he is deluding himself legally, but this is likely the function of the kind of cognitive distortions that are part and parcel of personality disordered

individual. Clarence wrote numerous motions attempting to suppress the DNA evidence that linked him to the 1978 murder on the basis that the NAU police were not a legal entity when he was arrested in 1985. Clarence, according to documents reviewed misconstrued "the holding in Goode...[that] does not depend on the 1985 amendments. Instead, Goode holds that the board has implicit authority under ARS 15–1626 [A] [2]." Clarence unsuccessfully re-litigated the issue all the way through the Arizona judicial system. The issue however was not deemed "viable" and the Supreme Court denied review. Clarence narcissistically continues to be convinced that his argument is valid and the Courts are mistaken. This is not delusional thinking. The definition of delusional implies an outrageous false belief. In this type of case, a delusional legal defense would sound something like this. "*John Doe maintaining that Intergalactic Law and Statutes supersede and takes precedence over State, National and International law with Jesus Christ as the ultimate judge*". As a result, there is no evidence that Clarence's mental state is so distorted, or his concept of reality so impaired, that he lacks a rational understanding of the State's rationale for his execution. As can be seen in the Competency Inquiry section above, Clarence is so well aware of the State's rationale for his execution that he wishes he resided in a different State, one that did not have the death penalty. He made it clear that he does not want to die and believes that there is nothing to be gained by his execution. He even goes as far as to say that if he could bring the victim back to life, he would. He made it clear that he was "going to fight [his execution] until the end". He has deluded himself into believing that he found case law, that supports his position. He admits that he has worked feverishly for years to write numerous motions and describes his motions as having been sufficiently tenable to have been litigated through Arizona's entire judicial system and turned away at the doorstep of the Supreme Court. Furthermore, Clarence insists that he has no memory of the murder, and this additionally motivates him to fight against being put to death. The notion that he has no memory of the incident surrounding the death of the victim appears to be true since Clarence revealed to this writer that if he were to suddenly remember having killed the victim, he would have a sense of relief at his execution.

Furthermore, Clarence is not suffering from any mental disease or defect, that results in making him unaware that he is to be punished for the crime of murder or unaware that the impending punishment for that crime is death. He is suffering from personality disorder, and this is responsible for his deluded notion that the government has refused to agree with his legal argument, not because his argument is not sound but rather the government is afraid of the consequences of admitting they are wrong. Clarence is well aware of his impending punishment and reported that this is responsible for his current level of depression. He has a moderate adjustment disorder with depressed mood, a reactive depression. He insists that aside from what he considers the illegality of his execution, he finds it is immoral. He wishes he were in another State [sans the death penalty]. He claims that if someone murders another individual in the State of Arizona, that individual can be put to death yet when the US government launches a drone bomb strike to kill a terrorist and ends up killing innocent women and children as well, somehow that's not considered immoral or punishable by law.

Thank you very much for allowing me to consult with you in this matter. If I can be of any further assistance to you in the future, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

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Psychologist

APRIL 30, 2022

CASE NO. 22-135, 22-136, 22-137, 22-138, 22-139

DEAR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ELLIOTT:

YOUR APRIL 26 LETTER ARRIVED YESTERDAY.

IN ALL FIVE CASES YOU REMARK THAT THE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT CANNOT REVIEW THE EVIDENCE IN A CASE OR DETERMINE IF A JUDICIAL OFFICER RULED PROPERLY.

THIS IS COMPLETELY CONTRARY TO THE COMMISSION'S EXISTENCE.

HOW DOES THE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT DETERMINE IF

A JUDICIAL OFFICER HAS MADE A FAIR AND IMPARTIAL JUDGMENT IN A CASE AS DESCRIBED IN CANON TWO?

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15-1627 (F.G)(F.G), WILL RESULT IN AN EXTRA JUDICIAL
KILLING THAT WOULD MERIT DISBARMENT ON THOSE WHO ARE
UNCONCERNED WITH THEIR UNPROFESSIONAL REASON FOR BEING
EVER AFTER THE TWELFTH HOUR.

BY THE WAY, I WILL NOT PAY THE FERRARIAN UNTIL I AM
ACROSS THE OTHER SIDE.

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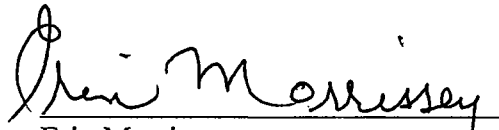
• CHARLES W. DIXON, 03/19/77

DECLARATION

I, Erin Morrissey, declare:

1. I am the duly authorized custodian of medical records at Arizona Department of Corrections Rehabilitation & Reentry, and have authority to certify the authenticity of these records.
2. I have caused a diligent search to be conducted under my supervision, and the attached 56 pages are true copies of the Arizona Department of Corrections Rehabilitation & Reentry Medical Records described in the request for the records of Dixon, Clarence, ADCRR #38977, for the time period of 04/22/2022 to 04/25/2022.
3. Based upon my best information and belief, the attached medical records were compiled by the personnel of the Arizona Department of Corrections Rehabilitation & Reentry Health Unit, medical staff, nurses, physicians, or persons acting under their control, in the ordinary course of Health Unit business at or near the time of the events described in the records.
4. In the event any records contained within the attached documents were generated by entities other than the Arizona Department of Corrections Rehabilitation & Reentry, the above-noted custodian of records cannot avow to the accuracy or completeness of records.
5. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: 04/25/2022


Erin Morrissey
Medical Records Monitor

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CHSS001 - Patient Record Synopsis

Name: DIXON, CLARENCE W.

ADC#: 038977

Patient Description

ADC#: 038977 Inmate Name: DIXON, CLARENCE W. SSN:
 Race/Sex: NA Indian Male DOB: 08/26/1955 Age: 66 Status: Active
 Location: ASPC-E BROWNING D/RW Bed: WG3G 019B Custody: Close
 Medical Grade: 4
 Admission Date: 01/08/1986 Job Assignment: Unassigned Earliest Release:

Current Health Problem/Conditions (1 - 21 of 21)

ID#	Category	Type	National HIE Code(s)	Diagnosis Code	Reaction	Severity	Onset Date	Last Encounter Date
032	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	SNOMED: 25064002 - Headache (finding) 📄	Headache [R51]			04/12/2022	04/12/2022
031	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	SNOMED: 60826002 - Coccidioidomycosis (disorder) 📄	Coccidioidomycosis, unspecified [B38.9]			07/22/2021	07/22/2021
030	Mental Health	Mental Health	SNOMED: 48694002 - Anxiety (finding) 📄	Anxiety disorder, unspecified [F41.9]			07/21/2021	07/21/2021
029	Chronic Conditions	Heart Murmur, Rheumatic, etc	SNOMED: 414786004 - Murmur (finding) 📄	Cardiac murmur, unspecified [R01.1]			10/08/2020	02/10/2022
028	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	SNOMED: 399029005 - Tinea cruris (disorder) 📄	Tinea cruris [B35.6]			04/25/2020	04/25/2020
027	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	SNOMED: 309529002 - Lung mass (finding) 📄	Other nonspecific abnormal finding of lung field [R91.8]			03/31/2020	03/31/2020
026	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	SNOMED: 235595009 - Gastroesophageal reflux disease (disorder) 📄	Gastro-esophageal reflux disease without esophagitis [K21.9]			03/17/2020	03/17/2020
025	Other Diagnosis	Pt. Specific Chronic Condition	SNOMED: 61582004 - Allergic rhinitis (disorder) 📄	Other seasonal allergic rhinitis [J30.2]			03/17/2020	03/17/2020
023	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	SNOMED: 23986001 - Glaucoma (disorder) 📄	Chronic angle-closure glaucoma, bilateral, severe stage [H40.2233]			06/22/2018	06/22/2018
022	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	SNOMED: 92070006 - 92070006 📄	Benign neoplasm of unspecified cornea [D31.10]			03/09/2017	03/09/2017
021	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	SNOMED: 69397000 - Angular blepharoconjunctivitis (disorder) 📄	Angular blepharoconjunctivitis, unspecified eye [H10.529]			12/31/2015	12/31/2015
018	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis		Enlarged prostate without lower urinary tract symptoms [N40.0]			10/01/2015	02/10/2015
014	Functional Limitations	Legally Blind		Legal blindness-usa def [369.4]			02/17/2015	02/17/2015
013	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis		Dermatitis NEC [692.89]			02/17/2015	02/17/2015
012	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis		BPH loc w/o ur obs/LUTS [600.20]			02/10/2015	02/10/2015
010	Allergies - Medication	NKDA (No Known Drug Allergies)					12/03/2014	12/03/2014
008	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis		Heart valve replac NEC [V43.3]			12/03/2014	12/03/2014
007	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis		Glaucoma NOS [365.9]			12/03/2014	12/03/2014
005	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis		Prostatitis NOS [601.9]			12/03/2014	12/03/2014
004	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis		Bladder neoplasm NOS [239.4]			12/03/2014	12/03/2014
001	Chronic Conditions	Heart Murmur, Rheumatic, etc					08/15/2014	08/15/2014

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Date	Encounter Type	Staff	ICD	Diagnosis
04/12/2022	Provider - Review	Olmstead, Pamela	R51	Headache
07/22/2021	Provider - Review	Fullmer, Samantha	B38.9	Coccidioidomycosis, unspecified
10/08/2020	Provider - Chronic Care	Kary, Sharon	R01.1	Cardiac murmur, unspecified
04/25/2020	Provider - Chronic Care	Weigel, Natalya	B35.6	Tinea cruris
03/31/2020	Provider - Follow Up Care	Hahn, Betty	R91.8	Other nonspecific abnormal finding of lung field
03/17/2020	Provider - Sick Call - Scheduled	Hahn, Betty	J30.2	Other seasonal allergic rhinitis
03/17/2020	Provider - Sick Call - Scheduled	Hahn, Betty	K21.9	Gastro-esophageal reflux disease without esophagitis
10/30/2019	Provider - Sick Call - Scheduled	Powell, Marianne	R05	Cough
06/22/2018	Provider - Follow Up Care	Penn, Mark	H40.2233	Chronic angle-closure glaucoma, bilateral, severe stage
03/13/2017	Provider - Review	Gay, Maureen	H40.9	Unspecified glaucoma
03/09/2017	Provider - Sick Call - Scheduled	Gay, Maureen	D31.10	Benign neoplasm of unspecified cornea
03/16/2016	Provider - Medication Renewal	Bainbridge, Julie	365.9	Glaucoma NOS
03/16/2016	Provider - Medication Renewal	Bainbridge, Julie	H40.9	Unspecified glaucoma
12/31/2015	Provider - Review	Salzer, Nick C	H10.529	Angular blepharoconjunctivitis, unspecified eye
12/11/2015	Provider - Chronic Care	Wilkinson, Xuong	L03.211	Cellulitis of face
09/25/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Ruehrup, Jens	365.9	Glaucoma NOS
09/25/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Ruehrup, Jens	H40.9	Unspecified glaucoma

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Date	Encounter Type	Staff	ICD	Diagnosis
08/17/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	239.4	Bladder neoplasm NOS
08/17/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	365.9	Glaucoma NOS
08/17/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	369.60	Blindness, one eye
08/17/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	595.89	Cystitis NEC
08/17/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	599.72	Microscopic hematuria
08/17/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	601.9	Prostatitis NOS
08/17/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	H40.9	Unspecified glaucoma
08/17/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	N41.9	Inflammatory disease of prostate, unspecified
08/17/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	V43.3	Heart valve replac NEC
06/01/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Jeffrey, Julie R	365.9	Glaucoma NOS
06/01/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Jeffrey, Julie R	H40.9	Unspecified glaucoma
05/06/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	239.4	Bladder neoplasm NOS
05/06/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	365.9	Glaucoma NOS
05/06/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	369.60	Blindness, one eye
05/06/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	595.89	Cystitis NEC
05/06/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	599.72	Microscopic hematuria
05/06/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	601.9	Prostatitis NOS
05/06/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	H40.9	Unspecified glaucoma
05/06/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	N41.9	Inflammatory disease of prostate, unspecified
05/06/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	V43.3	Heart valve replac NEC
05/06/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	365.9	Glaucoma NOS
05/06/2015	Provider - Medication Renewal	Salyer, Nick C	H40.9	Unspecified glaucoma
02/17/2015	Provider - Sick Call - Unscheduled	Salyer, Nick C	369.4	Legal blindness-usa def
02/17/2015	Provider - Sick Call - Unscheduled	Salyer, Nick C	692.89	Dermatitis NEC
02/17/2015	Provider - Sick Call - Unscheduled	Salyer, Nick C	L25.8	Unspecified contact dermatitis due to other agents
02/10/2015	Provider - Review	Salyer, Nick C	222.2	Benign neoplasm prostate
02/10/2015	Provider - Review	Salyer, Nick C	600.20	BPH loc w/o ur obs/LUTS
02/10/2015	Provider - Review	Salyer, Nick C	D29.1	Benign neoplasm of prostate
02/10/2015	Provider - Review	Salyer, Nick C	N40.0	Enlarged prostate without lower urinary tract symptoms
12/23/2014	Provider - Review	Salyer, Nick C	365.9	Glaucoma NOS
12/23/2014	Provider - Review	Salyer, Nick C	H40.9	Unspecified glaucoma
12/03/2014	Provider - Sick Call - Scheduled	Salyer, Nick C	239.4	Bladder neoplasm NOS
12/03/2014	Provider - Sick Call - Scheduled	Salyer, Nick C	365.9	Glaucoma NOS
12/03/2014	Provider - Sick Call - Scheduled	Salyer, Nick C	369.60	Blindness, one eye
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12/03/2014	Provider - Sick Call - Scheduled	Salyer, Nick C	599.72	Microscopic hematuria
12/03/2014	Provider - Sick Call - Scheduled	Salyer, Nick C	601.9	Prostatitis NOS
12/03/2014	Provider - Sick Call - Scheduled	Salyer, Nick C	H40.9	Unspecified glaucoma
12/03/2014	Provider - Sick Call - Scheduled	Salyer, Nick C	N41.9	Inflammatory disease of prostate, unspecified
12/03/2014	Provider - Sick Call - Scheduled	Salyer, Nick C	V43.3	Heart valve replac NEC

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Date	Encounter Type	Staff	Axis	Diagnosis
07/21/2021	MH - Initial Psychiatric Evaluation	Joseph, Adlene, NP		Anxiety disorder, unspecified [F41.9]

Current Drug Prescriptions (1 - 17 of 17)

Issued	Drug Classification	Dosage	Frequency	Status	Expiration Date
04/12/2022	Acetaminophen Tab (Tylenol)/325MG	2 TABS	BID	Received from Pharmacy	06/10/2022
04/07/2022	Aspirin Chw (Bayer Childrens Aspirin)/81MG	1 tab	QD	Received from Pharmacy	07/06/2022
04/06/2022	Atropine Sul Sol (Isopto Atropine)/1% OP	1gtt	BID	Received from Pharmacy	10/02/2022
04/06/2022	Prednisolone Acetate Suso (Pred Forte)/1% OP	1gtt	TID	Received from Pharmacy	06/04/2022
04/06/2022	Cosopt Pf U/D Sol (Dorzolamide Hcl/Timolol Mal)	1 gtt	BID	Received from Pharmacy	07/04/2022
04/06/2022	Latanoprost Sol (Xalatan)/0.005%	1gtt	QHS	Received from Pharmacy	10/02/2022
04/06/2022	Terazosin Hcl Cap (Hytrin)/2MG	1 CAP	QPM	Received from Pharmacy	10/02/2022
04/06/2022	Acetazolamide Tab (Diamox)/250MG	2 TABS	BID	Received from Pharmacy	07/04/2022
04/07/2022	Aspir-Low Tab (Bayer Low Strength)/81MG EC	1 tab	QD	Discontinued - Other	08/04/2022
03/18/2022	Acetazolamide Tab (Diamox)/250MG	2	BID	Discontinued - Other	05/16/2022
03/07/2022	Terazosin Hcl Cap (Hytrin)/2MG	1	QPM	Discontinued - Other	09/02/2022
03/07/2022	Latanoprost Sol (Xalatan)/0.005%	1gtt	QHS	Discontinued - Other	09/02/2022
02/22/2022	Cosopt Pf U/D Sol (Dorzolamide Hcl/Timolol Mal)	1 gtt	BID	Discontinued - Other	05/22/2022
02/21/2022	Prednisolone Acetate Suso (Pred Forte)/1% OP	1gtt	UAD	Discontinued - Other	04/25/2022
01/17/2022	Fluconazole Tab (Diflucan)/200MG	2 tabs	QD	Discontinued - Other	07/15/2022
12/27/2021	Atropine Sul Sol (Isopto Atropine)/1% OP	1gtt	BID	Discontinued - Other	06/24/2022
12/27/2021	Acetazolamide Tab (Diamox)/125MG	1	QID	Discontinued - Other	06/24/2022

Current OTC Medications

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Provider Caseload

Assigned	Staff	Job Title
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Latest Encounters (1 - 4 of 4)

Category	Date	Type	Staff	Location
Medical Provider	04/13/2022	Provider - Follow Up Care	Olmstead, Pamela	ASPC-E BROWNING D/RW [A27]
Dental	04/06/2022	Dental - Chart Review	Jeffers, Emilee	ASPC-E BROWNING D/RW [A27]
Mental Health	04/24/2022	MH - Segregation Visit	THOMAS, FELICIA	ASPC-E BROWNING D/RW [A27]
Nursing	04/12/2022	Nurse - Sick Call - Scheduled	Wischhusen, Daphnie	ASPC-E BROWNING D/RW [A27]

Current Alerts

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Last Vital Signs

Order Date: 04/12/2022	Temperature: 97.6	Pulse: 77	Respiration: 18
BP: 120 / 78	Weight: 125 lb.	Height: 5 ft. 8 in.	
Right: 0			
Corrected Vision: Left: 0			
Both: 0			

Current Treatment Orders

Category	Type	Approximate Begin Date	Approximate End Date	Status
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Key Lab Test Results

Order Date	Specimen Date	Results Date	Type	Result	Value
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Current Special Waivers/Diets (1 - 6 of 6)

Started	Type	Expires
04/12/2022	WASTING SYNDROME	04/12/2023
04/06/2022	RUBBER TIPPED CANE	06/30/2022
04/06/2022	LOWER BUNK	06/30/2022
04/06/2022	LOWER TIER	06/30/2022
03/07/2022	Diet - Non-Formulary	03/06/2023
01/14/2022	WASTING SYNDROME	01/14/2023

Pending Lab Tests

Ordered	Category	Type	Priority
No Rows Found			

Pending Appointments (1 - 5 of 5)

Scheduled	Type	Location	Staff
08/30/2022	Health Services	ASPC-F-CENTRAL D/RW	Generic, Practitioner
07/25/2022	Health Services	ASPC-F-CENTRAL D/RW	Generic, Practitioner
05/02/2022	Health Services	ASPC-E BROWNING D/RW	Generic, Practitioner
04/25/2022	Health Services	ASPC-E BROWNING D/RW	Generic, Clinic Nurse
02/01/2022	Health Services	ASPC-F-CENTRAL D/RW	Generic, Clinic Nurse

Current Transfer Holds (1 - 6 of 6)

Placed	Type	Expires
12/01/2021	Medical Hold	05/31/2022
11/23/2021	Medical Hold	02/22/2022
01/24/2020	Medical Hold	01/31/2022
09/21/2017	Medical Hold	09/21/2018
01/11/2016	Medical Hold	07/31/2016
08/02/2010	Medical Hold	10/02/2010

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CHSS041A - Health Problems/Conditions

Name: DIXON, CLARENCE W.

ADC#: 038977

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Health Problems/Conditions (1 - 21 of 21)

ID Number	Category	Type	Diagnosis Code	National HIE Code(s)	Status	Status Date
001	Chronic Conditions	Heart Murmur, Rheumatic, etc			Assessed	08/15/2014
004	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	Bladder neoplasm NOS [239.4]		Assessed	12/03/2014
005	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	Prostatitis NOS [601.9]		Converted to ICD10	09/30/2015
007	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	Glaucoma NOS [365.9]		Converted to ICD10	09/30/2015
008	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	Heart valve replac NEC [V43.3]		Assessed	12/03/2014
010	Allergies - Medication	NKDA (No Known Drug Allergies)			Assessed	12/03/2014
012	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	BPH loc w/o ur obs/LUTS [600.20]		Converted to ICD10	09/30/2015
013	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	Dermatitis NEC [692.89]		Converted to ICD10	09/30/2015
014	Functional Limitations	Legally Blind	Legal blindness-usa def [369.4]		Assessed	02/17/2015
018	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	Enlarged prostate without lower urinary tract symptoms [N40.0]		Assessed	10/01/2015
021	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	Angular blepharoconjunctivitis, unspecified eye [H10.529]	SNOMED: 69397000 - Angular blepharoconjunctivitis (disorder) 🏠	Assessed	12/31/2015
022	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	Benign neoplasm of unspecified cornea [D31.10]	SNOMED: 92070006 - 92070006 🏠	Assessed	03/09/2017
023	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	Chronic angle-closure glaucoma, bilateral, severe stage [H40.2233]	SNOMED: 23986001 - Glaucoma (disorder) 🏠	Assessed	06/22/2018
025	Other Diagnosis	Pt. Specific Chronic Condition	Other seasonal allergic rhinitis [J30.2]	SNOMED: 61582004 - Allergic rhinitis (disorder) 🏠	Assessed	03/17/2020
026	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	Gastro-esophageal reflux disease without esophagitis [K21.9]	SNOMED: 235595009 - Gastroesophageal reflux disease (disorder) 🏠	Assessed	03/17/2020
027	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	Other nonspecific abnormal finding of lung field [R91.8]	SNOMED: 309529002 - Lung mass (finding) 🏠	Assessed	03/31/2020
028	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	Tinea cruris [B35.6]	SNOMED: 399029005 - Tinea cruris (disorder) 🏠	Assessed	04/25/2020
029	Chronic Conditions	Heart Murmur, Rheumatic, etc	Cardiac murmur, unspecified [R01.1]	SNOMED: 414786004 - Murmur (finding) 🏠	Assessed	10/08/2020
030	Mental Health	Mental Health	Anxiety disorder, unspecified [F41.9]	SNOMED: 48694002 - Anxiety (finding) 🏠	Assessed	07/21/2021
031	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	Coccidioidomycosis, unspecified [B38.9]	SNOMED: 60826002 - Coccidioidomycosis (disorder) 🏠	Assessed	07/22/2021
032	Other Diagnosis	Other Diagnosis	Headache [R51]	SNOMED: 25064002 - Headache (finding) 🏠	Assessed	04/12/2022

ARIZONA STATE HOSPITAL PSYCHOLOGICAL REPORT

NAME
BIXON, Clarence W.

K-2

HOSP. NO.
Moderate Sec. 02-13-10

PSYCHOLOGIST

David L. White, Ed.D.

DATE

October 6, 1977

REASON FOR REFERRAL

Diagnostic interview

TESTS ADMINISTERED

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RESULTS

Clarence was interviewed on October 6, 1977. He demonstrates a generally neurotic adjustment with moderate depression being present. He has inflicted injury upon himself only one time in the past, this being when he held a lighted cigarette to the palm of his hand. He reports no suicidal gestures, denies suicidal ideation, but states that he thinks of various ways in which he might be accidentally killed.

On the day he assaulted the girl, he had a fight with his wife and was involved in three different shoving matches with three different men. Marital discord is longstanding. After the assault occurred, Clarence went and sat in his car to wait for the arrival of the police.

Much of this man's poor emotional condition is apparently due to a poor marital situation which he has perceived as being without solution. His guilt and depression are sufficient to cause fantasies about dying, but he does not appear to be the kind of person who will ever die directly by his own hand. He could manage to die "accidentally" or be killed by someone else if his problems are not significantly reduced.

It appears that his depression may have been of psychotic or near-psychotic proportions when he was examined by Dr. Tuchler and Dr. Bendheim in August of 1977.

Diagnosis: Depressive neurosis (300.4)

Recommendations: 1. Individual and marital counseling
2. Anti-depressant medication at a later date if needed

David L. White, Ed.D.
DAVID L. WHITE, Ed.D.

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DLW:lc
10/7/77

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1. LOC. #	2. BEAT #	3. DAY OF WEEK DATE WHEN OCCURRED	4. HOUR OF DAY OFFENSE OCCURRED TO-23 124 HOUR TIME	5. LAST FIRST MIDDLE NAME (FIRM NAME IF BUS)	6. I.R. #
	4414	SUNDAY	0040H	GUERRA, CHRISTY KAY	77-06700
7. TYPE OF REPORT	8. ORIGIN SEX DOB SOC SEC #				
AW D.W.	M F 6-27-61				
9. DATE & TIME OF THIS REPORT	10. EMPLOYER				
6-5-77 0800HRS	1026 E. SPENCE #205, TEMPE NO PHONE				
PHONE #	21. WHO CAN SIGN COMPLAINT FOR CO				
	JACK N. ROX WEBER & SCOTTSDALE, TEMPE				
PHONE #	22. WHO OWNS PROPERTY				
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PHONE #	24. PAY TO THE ORDER OF				
	AMOUNT OF CHECK				
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	DR. GARY GROVE 1500 S. MILL, TEMPE 968-9411				
PHONE #	26. FIRM NAME ON CHECK				
	CHECK SERIAL #				
PHONE #	27. ACCOUNT #				
	NAME OF MAKER				
PHONE #	28. NAME OF PERSON WHO ACCEPTED CK OR DRAFT				
	CAN THEY IDENTIFY AND				
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ON 6-5-77 AT 0045HRS CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON WAS ARRESTED FOR ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON AFTER STRIKING CHRISTY KAY GUERRA WITH A 12"x1" CAST IRON PIPE CAUSING A SEVERE CUT ON TOP OF MISS GUERRA'S HEAD WHILE AT 1026 E. SPENCE, TEMPE

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22. OFFICER WRITING REPORT'S #
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ON 6-5-77 AT 0041HRS I WAS DISPATCHED TO 1026 E. SPENCE REGARDING UNKNOWN TROUBLE. UPON MY ARRIVAL I CONTACTED CHRISTY GUERRA, VICTIM, WHO WAS SITTING IN THE REAR PARKING LOT OF THE APARTMENT COMPLEX, 1026 E. SPENCE, WITH A SEVERE CUT ON TOP OF HER HEAD. MISS GUERRA RELATED THE FOLLOWING.

ON 6-5-77 AT 0035HRS SHE WAS WALKING EAST BOUND ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE STREET AT 1026 E. SPENCE WHEN A MALE INDIAN WITH LONG BLACK HAIR IN A PONY TAIL APPROACHED HER FROM THE APARTMENT COMPLEX. THE SUBJECT LATER IDENTIFIED AS CLARENCE DIXON STATED "NICE EVENING ISN'T IT" THEN STRUCK HER ON TOP OF HER HEAD WITH AN UNKNOWN OBJECT CAUSING HER TO FALL TO THE GROUND. SHE THEN GOT UP SCREAMING WHICH CAUSED THE SUBJECT TO RUN TO THE REAR OF THE APARTMENT COMPLEX. MISS GUERRA FOLLOWED THE SUBJECT TO THE REAR OF THE COMPLEX AT WHICH TIME I ARRIVED.

I THEN WAS CONTACTED BY OFFICER D. CLINE '98 WHO HAD CLARENCE DIXON IN CUSTODY IN THE PARKING LOT AT THE REAR OF 1026 E. SPENCE. I ESCORTED MISS GUERRA TO OFFICER CLINE'S LOCATION WHERE SHE POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED CLARENCE DIXON AS THE SUBJECT WHO STRUCK HER ON THE HEAD.

CLARENCE DIXON WAS GIVEN HIS RIGHTS PER MIRANDA BY OFFICER CLINE AND TRANSPORTED TO THE TEMPE CITY JAIL (SEE OFFICER CLINE'S SUPPLEMENT)

I THEN CONTACTED DR. GARY GROVE AT TEMPE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL AS TO THE CONDITION OF MISS GUERRA. HE STATED SHE SUFFERED A TWO INCH LACERATION TO THE TOP REAR SECTION OF HER SKULL REQUIRING THREE SUTURES TO CLOSE THE WOUND.

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PRIOR TO LEAVING TO SCENE I OBSERVED

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LYING ON THE FRONT SEAT OF CLARENCE DIXON VEHICLE WHICH WAS PARKED AT 1026 E. SPENCE, TEMPE, AZ. A 12" x 1" CAST IRON PIPE WITH A NUT SCREWED ON ONE END OF IT. THE NUT HAD SEVERAL CUTS CUT INTO IT. I SIZED THE PIPE AS EVIDENCE AND PLACED IT IN EVIDENCE LOCKER #13 TEMPE POLICE STATION. THERE WERE NO SIGNS OF PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ON THE PIPE.

I THEN CONTACTED CLARENCE DIXON AT THE TEMPE CITY JAIL WHERE I ADVISED HIM OF HIS RIGHTS PER MIRANDA AND ASKED HIM IF HE UNDERSTOOD THEM WHICH HE REPLIED YES. I THEN ASKED HIM IF HE WOULD ANSWER MY QUESTIONS AND HE STATED YES.

I ASKED CLARENCE DIXON IF HE WANTED TO TELL ME WHAT HAPPENED AT 1026 E. SPENCE. HE STATED THAT HE WALKED UP TO MISS GUERRA AND SAID SOMETHING TO HER THEN STRUCK HER OVER THE HEAD WITH THE PIPE. HE THEN RAN TO HIS VEHICLE WHICH WAS PARKED AT THE REAR OF 1026 E. SPENCE WHEN MISS GUERRA BEGAN TO SCREAM. AT THIS TIME HE THREW THE PIPE INTO HIS VEHICLE.

I SHOWED CLARENCE DIXON THE PIPE I FOUND ON THE FRONT SEAT OF HIS VEHICLE AND ASKED HIM IF HE STRUCK MISS GUERRA WITH IT AND HE REPLIED YES.

CLARENCE DIXON WAS BOOKED INTO TEMPE CITY JAIL FOR ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON.

D. C. New #47

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5. CURRENCY, NOTES ETC. \$						4. VICTIM'S NAME (IF FIRM NAME IF BUS.)		11. LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE	
5. JEWELRY, PRECIOUS METALS. \$						GUERRA, CHEISTY K.		1026 E. SPENCE	
5. FURS \$						CLOTHING \$		CARED BY ARREST OR EXCEPTIONALLY CARED	
5. AUTOS \$						PENDING <input type="checkbox"/>		OVER 18 YEAR OLD <input type="checkbox"/>	
5. MISC. \$						UNFOUNDED <input type="checkbox"/>		UNDER 18 YEAR OLD <input type="checkbox"/>	
ADDITIONAL SUSP. LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE						SOC. SEC. #		DOB (APPROX.) RESIDENCE	
<p>AT 0045 ON 6.5.77 I ADVISED THE SUSPECT OF HIS RIGHTS PER MIRANDA TO WHICH HE STATED HE UNDERSTOOD. HE STATED HE DID NOT WISH TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. THE INTERVIEW WAS TERMINATED.</p> <p>I THEN TRANSPORTED THE SUSPECT TO TEMPE P.D. JAIL IN MY VEHICLE. ENROUTE HE ASKED "WHAT DO YOU GET FOR AGGRAVATED ASSAULT." I TOLD HIM I DID NOT KNOW HE THEN STATED, "IT WAS A STUPID THING TO DO."</p> <p>THE LISTED CONVERSATION WAS UNSOLICITED, AND AFTER ADVISEMENT OF RIGHTS.</p>									
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On this date, I was assigned this case for review and forwarding to the county attorneys office. After reviewing the report I noted that no further follow-up was needed. I checked with the section and learned that she required several stickers to close her wound.

The suspect, Mr. Dixon, was transported to county jail for arraignment.

Records Clerk

Suspect - none CTS
Victim - none CTS

Pre C/a

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BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF OCCURRENCE: (Also use this space for additional suspects or victims)

ITEMIZE AND DESCRIBE PROPERTY LIST ONLY ONE ITEM PER LINE, NUMBER EACH ITEM ON THE FORM.
Where possible, place each item in plastic bag, and attach property tag for outside of bag.

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10. VALUE OF PROPERTY RECOVERED OR ADDITIONAL PROPERTY TAKEN		1. TYPE OF REPORT <u>AWDW</u>	2. DATE OF THIS SUPPLEMENT <u>6-6-77</u>	3. I.R. # <u>77-6700</u>
PROPERTY RECOVERED <input type="checkbox"/> ADDIT. PROP. TAKEN <input type="checkbox"/>		4. VICTIM'S NAME (FIRM NAME IF BUS.) <u>CHRISTY K. GUERRA</u>	11. LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE <u>1026 E. SPENCE</u>	
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On 6-6-77 at 1400 hours, A/O signed complaint number 61,691 in front of Justice of the Peace MULLENDARK of the Tempe Justice Court, charging CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON with ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON.

Warrant Issued

Summons Issued

☒ In Custody

PORTION

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

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1026 E. GRANCE				GUERRA, CHRISTY					
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ON 6.22.77 AT CAGUAS I ATTENDED A HEARING FOR CLARENCE									
WAYNE NIXON ON CHARGES OF A.W.D.U. SUBJECT WAS BOUND									
DUE TO SUPERIOR COURT									
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Last Name DIXON		First CLARENCE		Middle WAYNE		Paraphrase Property Impounded at Property Room <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO		Arrest Number 36363	
Residence 930 S. TERRACE D179, TEMPE				Occupation SERVICE STATION		Telephone No. 968-8855		Alibi, nks & items NONE	
Sex M		Height 5'7 1/2"		Weight 115		Hair BLK		Eyes BRN	
Origin I		Birthdate 8-26-55		Age 21		Birthplace AZ		Soc. Sec. No. 585 84 9185	
Location of Arrest 1026 E. SPENCE				Grid 4A14		Day 1		Date & Military Time 6-5-77 0045	
Color TAN		Year 64		Make and Model CHEV 4DR		License No. TSG-920		State AZ	
Disposition of Vehicle SEIZED 1026 E. SPENCE				Driver's License No. TSG-920		State AZ		Arresting Officer's & Serial P. CLINE #47	
Code # 13-249				Complaint # 13-249		Warrant # 13-249		Reason Officer's Serial # & only 98	
Written Description of Charge RWDW				Written Description of Charge		Written Description of Charge		Written Description of Charge	
1. Did the suspect attempt to avoid arrest?				2. Did the suspect make any attempt to collect on with the officers?					
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No					
3. Was the suspect armed at the time of arrest?				6. Is there any indication that the suspect is or alcoholic, add to, mentally or physically disturbed?					
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No					
4. Was the evidence of this offense found in the suspect's possession?				7. Is there information to indicate the suspect may have released any bail?					
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No					
5. Did the suspect admit involvement in the offense?				8. Is vehicle impounded?					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					
Personal Property WALLET + CONTENTS		Driver's License 6		Signature CLARENCE W. DIXON		Signature P. CLINE		Searched by CLINE #98	
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GLOVES									
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CITY OF TEMPE, ARIZONA
Police Department

ARREST RECORD

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ORIGINAL

Schizophrenia Spectrum and Other Psychotic Disorders

Schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders include schizophrenia, other psychotic disorders, and schizotypal (personality) disorder. They are defined by abnormalities in one or more of the following five domains: delusions, hallucinations, disorganized thinking (speech), grossly disorganized or abnormal motor behavior (including catatonia), and negative symptoms.

Key Features That Define the Psychotic Disorders

Delusions

Delusions are fixed beliefs that are not amenable to change in light of conflicting evidence. Their content may include a variety of themes (e.g., persecutory, referential, somatic, religious, grandiose). *Persecutory delusions* (i.e., belief that one is going to be harmed, harassed, and so forth by an individual, organization, or other group) are most common. *Referential delusions* (i.e., belief that certain gestures, comments, environmental cues, and so forth are directed at oneself) are also common. *Grandiose delusions* (i.e., when an individual believes that he or she has exceptional abilities, wealth, or fame) and *erotomanic delusions* (i.e., when an individual believes falsely that another person is in love with him or her) are also seen. *Nihilistic delusions* involve the conviction that a major catastrophe will occur, and *somatic delusions* focus on preoccupations regarding health and organ function.

Delusions are deemed *bizarre* if they are clearly implausible and not understandable to same-culture peers and do not derive from ordinary life experiences. An example of a bizarre delusion is the belief that an outside force has removed his or her internal organs and replaced them with someone else's organs without leaving any wounds or scars. An example of a nonbizarre delusion is the belief that one is under surveillance by the police, despite a lack of convincing evidence. Delusions that express a loss of control over mind or body are generally considered to be bizarre; these include the belief that one's thoughts have been "removed" by some outside force (*thought withdrawal*), that alien thoughts have been put into one's mind (*thought insertion*), or that one's body or actions are being acted on or manipulated by some outside force (*delusions of control*). The distinction between a delusion and a strongly held idea is sometimes difficult to make and depends in part on the degree of conviction with which the belief is held despite clear or reasonable contradictory evidence regarding its veracity.

Hallucinations

Hallucinations are perception-like experiences that occur without an external stimulus. They are vivid and clear, with the full force and impact of normal perceptions, and not under voluntary control. They may occur in any sensory modality, but auditory hallucinations are the most common in schizophrenia and related disorders. Auditory hallucinations are usually experienced as voices, whether familiar or unfamiliar, that are perceived as distinct from the individual's own thoughts. The hallucinations must occur in the context of a clear sensorium; those that occur while falling asleep (*hypnagogic*) or waking up

(*hypnopompic*) are considered to be within the range of normal experience. Hallucinations may be a normal part of religious experience in certain cultural contexts.

Disorganized Thinking (Speech)

Disorganized thinking (formal thought disorder) is typically inferred from the individual's speech. The individual may switch from one topic to another (*derailment* or *loose associations*). Answers to questions may be obliquely related or completely unrelated (*tangentiality*). Rarely, speech may be so severely disorganized that it is nearly incomprehensible and resembles receptive aphasia in its linguistic disorganization (*incoherence* or "word salad"). Because mildly disorganized speech is common and nonspecific, the symptom must be severe enough to substantially impair effective communication. The severity of the impairment may be difficult to evaluate if the person making the diagnosis comes from a different linguistic background than that of the person being examined. Less severe disorganized thinking or speech may occur during the prodromal and residual periods of schizophrenia.

Grossly Disorganized or Abnormal Motor Behavior (Including Catatonia)

Grossly disorganized or abnormal motor behavior may manifest itself in a variety of ways, ranging from childlike "silliness" to unpredictable agitation. Problems may be noted in any form of goal-directed behavior, leading to difficulties in performing activities of daily living.

Catatonic behavior is a marked decrease in reactivity to the environment. This ranges from resistance to instructions (*negativism*); to maintaining a rigid, inappropriate or bizarre posture; to a complete lack of verbal and motor responses (*mutism* and *stupor*). It can also include purposeless and excessive motor activity without obvious cause (*catatonic excitement*). Other features are repeated stereotyped movements, staring, grimacing, mutism, and the echoing of speech. Although catatonia has historically been associated with schizophrenia, catatonic symptoms are nonspecific and may occur in other mental disorders (e.g., bipolar or depressive disorders with catatonia) and in medical conditions (catatonic disorder due to another medical condition).

Negative Symptoms

Negative symptoms account for a substantial portion of the morbidity associated with schizophrenia but are less prominent in other psychotic disorders. Two negative symptoms are particularly prominent in schizophrenia: diminished emotional expression and avolition. *Diminished emotional expression* includes reductions in the expression of emotions in the face, eye contact, intonation of speech (prosody), and movements of the hand, head, and face that normally give an emotional emphasis to speech. *Avolition* is a decrease in motivated self-initiated purposeful activities. The individual may sit for long periods of time and show little interest in participating in work or social activities. Other negative symptoms include alogia, anhedonia, and asociality. *Alogia* is manifested by diminished speech output. *Anhedonia* is the decreased ability to experience pleasure from positive stimuli or a degradation in the recollection of pleasure previously experienced. *Asociality* refers to the apparent lack of interest in social interactions and may be associated with avolition, but it can also be a manifestation of limited opportunities for social interactions.

Disorders in This Chapter

This chapter is organized along a gradient of psychopathology. Clinicians should first consider conditions that do not reach full criteria for a psychotic disorder or are limited to one

domain of psychopathology. Then they should consider time-limited conditions. Finally, the diagnosis of a schizophrenia spectrum disorder requires the exclusion of another condition that may give rise to psychosis.

Schizotypal personality disorder is noted within this chapter as it is considered within the schizophrenia spectrum, although its full description is found in the chapter “Personality Disorders.” The diagnosis schizotypal personality disorder captures a pervasive pattern of social and interpersonal deficits, including reduced capacity for close relationships; cognitive or perceptual distortions; and eccentricities of behavior, usually beginning by early adulthood but in some cases first becoming apparent in childhood and adolescence. Abnormalities of beliefs, thinking, and perception are below the threshold for the diagnosis of a psychotic disorder.

Two conditions are defined by abnormalities limited to one domain of psychosis: delusions or catatonia. Delusional disorder is characterized by at least 1 month of delusions but no other psychotic symptoms. Catatonia is described later in the chapter and further in this discussion.

Brief psychotic disorder lasts more than 1 day and remits by 1 month. Schizophreniform disorder is characterized by a symptomatic presentation equivalent to that of schizophrenia except for its duration (less than 6 months) and the absence of a requirement for a decline in functioning.

Schizophrenia lasts for at least 6 months and includes at least 1 month of active-phase symptoms. In schizoaffective disorder, a mood episode and the active-phase symptoms of schizophrenia occur together and were preceded or are followed by at least 2 weeks of delusions or hallucinations without prominent mood symptoms.

Psychotic disorders may be induced by another condition. In substance/medication-induced psychotic disorder, the psychotic symptoms are judged to be a physiological consequence of a drug of abuse, a medication, or toxin exposure and cease after removal of the agent. In psychotic disorder due to another medical condition, the psychotic symptoms are judged to be a direct physiological consequence of another medical condition.

Catatonia can occur in several disorders, including neurodevelopmental, psychotic, bipolar, depressive, and other mental disorders. This chapter also includes the diagnoses catatonia associated with another mental disorder (catatonia specifier), catatonic disorder due to another medical condition, and unspecified catatonia, and the diagnostic criteria for all three conditions are described together.

Other specified and unspecified schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders are included for classifying psychotic presentations that do not meet the criteria for any of the specific psychotic disorders, or psychotic symptomatology about which there is inadequate or contradictory information.

Clinician-Rated Assessment of Symptoms and Related Clinical Phenomena in Psychosis

Psychotic disorders are heterogeneous, and the severity of symptoms can predict important aspects of the illness, such as the degree of cognitive or neurobiological deficits. To move the field forward, a detailed framework for the assessment of severity is included in Section III “Assessment Measures,” which may help with treatment planning, prognostic decision making, and research on pathophysiological mechanisms. Section III “Assessment Measures” also contains dimensional assessments of the primary symptoms of psychosis, including hallucinations, delusions, disorganized speech (except for substance/medication-induced psychotic disorder and psychotic disorder due to another medical condition), abnormal psychomotor behavior, and negative symptoms, as well as dimensional assessments of depression and mania. The severity of mood symptoms in psychosis has prognostic value and guides treatment. There is growing evidence that schizoaffective

Unmet Need for Mental Health Care in Schizophrenia: An Overview of Literature and New Data From a First-Admission Study

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We present an overview of the literature on the patterns of mental health service use and the unmet need for care in individuals with schizophrenia with a focus on studies in the United States. We also present new data on the longitudinal course of treatments from a study of first-admission patients with schizophrenia. In epidemiological surveys, approximately 40% of the respondents with schizophrenia report that they have not received any mental health treatments in the preceding 6–12 months. Clinical epidemiological studies also find that many patients virtually drop out of treatment after their index contact with services and receive little mental health care in subsequent years. Clinical studies of patients in routine treatment settings indicate that the treatment patterns of these patients often fall short of the benchmarks set by evidence-based practice guidelines, while at least half of these patients continue to experience significant symptoms. The divergence from the guidelines is more pronounced with regard to psychosocial than medication treatments and in outpatient than in inpatient settings. The expansion of managed care has led to further reduction in the use of psychosocial treatments and, in some settings, continuity of care. In conclusion, we found a substantial level of unmet need for care among individuals with schizophrenia both at community level and in treatment settings. More than half of the individuals with this often chronic and disabling condition receive either no treatment or suboptimal treatment. Recovery in this patient population cannot be fully achieved without enhancing access to services and improving the quality of available services. The recent expansion of managed care has made this goal more difficult to achieve.

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Introduction

This article presents an overview of the literature on patterns of mental health service use and, by extension, the unmet need for care in individuals with schizophrenia. In addition, new data on the longitudinal course of treatments in a first-admission sample of patients with schizophrenia are presented. Randomized clinical trials have repeatedly shown the efficacy of pharmacological and psychosocial interventions in the management of schizophrenia.^{1,2} Findings from these studies have been synthesized into practice guidelines with the aim of improving the treatment of schizophrenia across various settings.^{3–8} However, treatments offered in routine clinical practice often fall short of guideline recommendations, and many patients in the community receive no or little treatment.^{9–18} Thus, our knowledge of evidence-based treatment practices does not always translate into better care and outcomes for patients.

In comparison to hundreds of randomized clinical trials of various pharmacological and psychosocial treatments for schizophrenia, there are relatively few studies of the treatment patterns in routine care settings and the extent and the correlates of the unmet treatment needs in this patient population. Furthermore, much of the available data focus on patterns of pharmacotherapy, and less is known about the patterns of use of psychosocial treatments.

From a public health perspective, the issue of unmet need for care can be defined at different levels (eg, the community and the services) or from different perspectives (eg, the patients, their families, or their clinicians). Furthermore, there is currently a debate about the threshold at which care would be essential, and the lack of care would constitute an unmet need.¹⁹ For example, it is not clear whether treatment would be needed for the large number of people in community-based epidemiological studies who meet the full diagnostic criteria for a mood or anxiety disorder but who do not seek treatment.^{20–22} Some authors have argued that many of these individuals experience “appropriate homeostatic responses that are neither pathologic nor in need of treatment.”²⁰(p114) These debates are likely less relevant to schizophrenia, in which the duration of illness, the severity of symptoms, and the social and occupational dysfunction that are the defining

characteristics of the disorder²³ justify treatment in almost all individuals with the diagnosis.

In both community and service settings, unmet needs are often evaluated by examining the patterns of service use and by comparing these patterns with the treatments recommended by evidence-based practice guidelines. An alternative approach would be to directly assess the perceptions of consumers, family members, or clinicians of the extent of met and unmet needs.

At the level of services, unmet needs commonly result from the discontinuities in treatment or provision of substandard treatments due to inadequate resources, prohibitive cost of treatments, inadequate health insurance, changes in insurance coverage, or the lack of satisfaction with the available treatments. These factors often coexist and may act synergistically in interfering with treatment.

In this article, we will present an overview of some of the studies that have evaluated the unmet need for treatment in schizophrenia. We will approach the question of unmet need for treatment according to 3 definitions as (a) the prevalence of cases of disorder that have not received any treatment in community settings or patients who have dropped out of treatment in representative clinical samples, (b) the prevalence of inadequate treatment or treatment of low quality in routine clinical settings, and (c) the prevalence of self-rated unmet need for treatment as perceived by the patients. For assessing the extent of unmet need for treatment based on the first 2 definitions, we will rely on studies of treatment patterns among individuals who meet the criteria for schizophrenia in general population epidemiological surveys or in clinical epidemiological studies that are based on representative clinical samples drawn from delimited geographical regions and clinical sample of patients drawn from routine treatment settings. We will also present data on the longitudinal course of mental health treatments in patients with schizophrenia from the Suffolk County Mental Health Project—a clinical epidemiological study of first-admission psychotic disorders in Long Island, New York. To assess the prevalence of unmet need for treatment as perceived by patients, we will briefly examine the growing literature on patient-perceived needs. Discussing these studies in concert highlights the various limitations and strengths of each approach as well as the complexities of assessing the unmet needs for care in schizophrenia. Our overview focuses on studies from the United States. However, where appropriate or in cases where there are few US studies, we will also discuss studies conducted in other countries.

Treatment Patterns

Treatment Patterns in Population Samples

Much of our current knowledge about treatment patterns in individuals with common mood and anxiety disorders

comes from the epidemiological surveys of general populations.^{24,25} Fewer epidemiological studies of general populations have investigated the treatment patterns in representative samples of individuals with schizophrenia. In a 1980 review of the literature on the rates of mental health treatment in epidemiological studies, Link and Dohrenwend¹⁸ identified 7 studies from across the world conducted between 1938 and 1973 that specifically examined the lifetime treatment rates for schizophrenia. The median rate of lifetime treatment in these studies was 83.3% (range: 50%–100%) as compared with the general population studies of overall psychopathology (mostly mood, anxiety, and alcohol disorders) in which the median rate of treatment was only 26.7% (range: 7.8%–52.0%). Comparison across these studies, however, is hampered by the sociocultural variations in the samples, variations in case ascertainment methodology, and diagnostic criteria.

The introduction of explicit diagnostic criteria such as the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (Third Edition) (*DSM-III*) and the incorporation of these diagnostic criteria into structured interview instruments paved the way for a second generation of epidemiological studies, which use standardized assessments and generally have large and representative population-based samples.²⁶ In the United States, the Epidemiologic Catchment Area (ECA) study is the earliest and the best known of the second-generation studies that specifically focused on *DSM-III* disorders, including schizophrenia.²⁷ The ECA was conducted in the early 1980s and sampled over 20 000 adults from 5 sampling sites across the United States. One advantage of the ECA over subsequent epidemiological studies was that in addition to the household samples, individuals in institutions were also sampled. The ECA found that about 1.3% of the population met lifetime *DSM-III* criteria for schizophrenia based on the lay-administered Diagnostic Interview Schedule.²⁷ Another 0.2% met criteria for the schizophreniform disorder. The large majority of these cases were identified in the community as opposed to an institutional setting.²⁷ The ECA found that among individuals with symptoms in the past 6 months (6-mo schizophrenia), only 57% had received some form of outpatient mental health care in this period: 40% from the specialty mental health sector (psychiatrists, psychologists, social worker, or other mental health professionals) and 17% from the general medical sector or the human services (such as the clergy or non-mental health social work).²⁷ The ECA study did not report the lifetime history of treatment in this group of patients. However, the 57% rate of 6-month treatment seeking is much smaller than the 83% lifetime treatment from earlier epidemiological studies. It is not clear whether changes in the time and the diagnostic criteria or differences in the time frame (6 mo vs lifetime), in sociocultural characteristics of the samples, or in the

ascertainment methods (structured interview vs clinician evaluation) accounted for this difference.

The second landmark US epidemiological survey, the National Comorbidity Survey (NCS), was conducted a decade later, between 1990 and 1992. The NCS included a nationally representative sample of individuals between the ages 15 and 54 years and administered the University of Michigan revised version of the Composite International Diagnostic Interview (CIDI). This study found a similar lifetime prevalence of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (Third Edition Revised) schizophrenia and schizophreniform disorder to that from the ECA (1.3%).²⁸ However, the NCS also reported prevalence estimates based on the clinical reinterviews with the NCS respondents who had been assigned a diagnosis of schizophrenia or schizophreniform disorder by the lay-administered structured interview. The concordance between the structured interview and the interviews by the senior clinicians was quite low, with only 10% of the reinterviewed subjects being assigned a diagnosis of schizophrenia or schizophreniform disorder and 37% receiving a broader diagnosis of “nonaffective psychoses.” By the clinician diagnosis, the lifetime prevalence rates were 0.2% for schizophrenia or schizophreniform disorders and 0.3% for nonaffective psychoses—much lower than the estimates from the structured interviews. Among the clinician-identified cases of nonaffective psychoses symptomatic in the past 12 months, 57.9% had used some form of mental health services in that time frame: 47.5% had used specialty mental health services, 21.5% general medical services, 16.3% human services, and 22.0% self-help resources.²⁹

A further wave of the NCS, the US National Comorbidity Survey-Replication (NCS-R), was conducted a decade later, between 2001 and 2003. The NCS-R sampled adults aged 18 years and older and administered a revised version of the CIDI. It also used a significantly modified ascertainment scheme to minimize false-positive responses³⁰ as well as the statistical method of multiple imputation,³¹ commonly used to estimate missing data, to estimate the predicted prevalence of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* (Fourth Edition) clinician-diagnosed nonaffective psychoses based on the responses to the structured interviews. The lifetime prevalence of the probable nonaffective psychoses (including schizophrenia, schizophreniform disorder, as well as the other nonaffective psychoses) was 1.5% based on the structured interviews and 0.5% based on the predicted clinician diagnoses.³⁰ We note that the 0.5% prevalence rate is consistent with the estimates from the other epidemiological studies.³²

Among the NCS-R cases with a predicted clinician diagnosis of nonaffective psychosis who had active symptoms in the past 12 months, 57.8% reported mental health treatment contacts in the same 12-month period: 49.8% were treated in the mental health specialty sector, 5.0% in

the general medical sector, 11.9% in the human services sector, and 13.4% in the complementary-alternative medicine sector.³⁰

The differences in the sampling frame, the age ranges, the diagnostic criteria, the interview instruments, and the ascertainment methods make comparisons across these 3 US surveys very difficult.²⁰ The difficulty is compounded by the inaccuracies inherent in estimating the prevalence of rare conditions in population samples³³ that are likely responsible for the discrepancy in prevalence rates based on the lay-administered interviews and the clinician interviews.

The probability of correctly identifying cases of a disorder based on a screen-positive result (positive predictive validity) and of the cases free of the disorder based on a screen-negative result (negative predictive validity) is significantly affected by the true prevalence of the disorder, as well as by the sensitivity and specificity of the screening test. Eaton et al³³ estimated that, eg, in a population survey of 1000 persons with a true prevalence of schizophrenia of 1%, a measure having 90% sensitivity and specificity (far higher than the sensitivity of currently available structured interview instruments) would identify 9 true cases and 99 false-positive cases, generating a prevalence estimate of more than 10% or 10 times higher than the true prevalence of the disorder.

Thus, the majority of the cases of schizophrenia identified using a lay-administered interview would be false-positive cases. Unless true cases of a disorder in a population can be identified with some accuracy, the patterns of treatment for that disorder cannot be accurately determined. Furthermore, the prevalence estimates of rare disorders are particularly sensitive to the selective nonresponse,²⁵ and there is some evidence that individuals with schizophrenia in the community are less likely than other individuals to respond to surveys or appear in population-based samples if they are living in nursing homes and other quasi-institutional community settings.³⁴

Despite these limitations, the similarity in treatment patterns of individuals with schizophrenia across the 3 population surveys is remarkable. About 57%–58% of individuals with active symptoms of schizophrenia in the 6–12 months prior to interview reported receiving some form of mental health treatment in that time frame. In the NCS and the NCS-R, between 47.5% and 49.8% received treatment in the specialty mental health sector. Thus, based on these data, at least 40% of individuals with actively symptomatic schizophrenia-spectrum disorders living in community settings in the United States have no consistent contact with needed services, and more than half have no contact with the specialty mental health treatment sector. These numbers reflect a large degree of potential unmet need for treatment among individuals with schizophrenia living in the various US communities.

Treatment Patterns in Clinical Epidemiological Samples

Whereas general population epidemiological surveys have typically been the gold standard for estimating the burden of the unmet need for treatment in the population,²⁴ the limitations in ascertaining cases of rare disorders, noted earlier, constrain their usefulness for assessing the degree of unmet need for treatment in schizophrenia. Furthermore, many seriously ill individuals are likely underrepresented in these surveys because they live in the institutional settings or because they are homeless or incarcerated. Finally, epidemiological surveys generally collect limited information about the specific content and course of the treatments, such as history of recent hospitalizations and outpatient visits and the current use of medications. A thorough assessment of the psychiatric treatment history would require more detailed information on the content and course of treatments.

Epidemiological studies of clinical populations have an advantage over general population epidemiological surveys in that they typically collect more detailed information on the content and course of treatments in patients recruited from clinical settings in a well-defined geographical region.^{11,35–39} The ascertainment of cases in some of these studies is quite exhaustive, approximating that of general population surveys.³⁶ When compared with clinical studies, epidemiological studies of clinical samples also provide a less biased picture of the use of clinical services and the extent of unmet need for care. This is especially true of the longitudinal studies involving first-contact or first-admission patients^{36,37} in which the frequent and infrequent users of services are equally likely to be included. In contrast, in studies of current patients in routine clinical settings, the probability of being sampled is proportional to the volume of service use, leading to what Cohen and Cohen labeled the “clinician’s illusion.”⁴⁰ Thus, longitudinal studies of first-contact or first-admission patients offer a more balanced view of the patterns of service use and the unmet needs for care than is possible when drawing from cross-sectional clinical samples.

For example, the report of Jablensky *et al.*³⁶ based on the follow-up data from the World Health Organization (WHO) 10-country study identified subgroups of patients with psychotic disorders who had considerable gaps in their care. Furthermore, the treatment patterns varied significantly across the settings. Only 15.9% of the patients in the developing countries (Colombia, India, and Nigeria) were on antipsychotic medications for more than 75% of the follow-up period, compared with 60.8% in the industrialized countries (Czech Republic, Denmark, Ireland, Japan, Russia, United Kingdom, and United States). Similarly, 55.5% of the patients in the developing countries were never hospitalized during the follow-up period compared with 8.1% in the industrialized countries.³² These

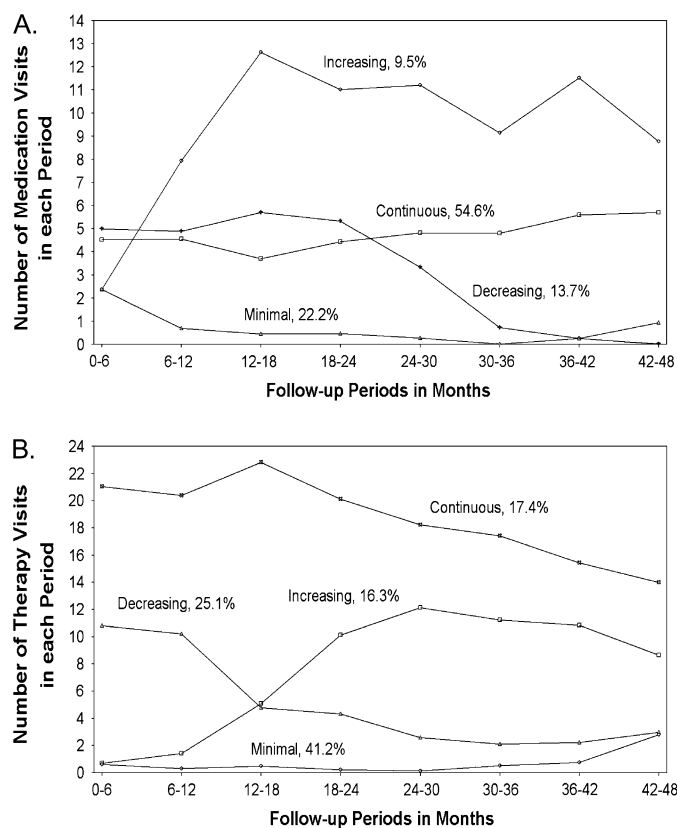


Fig. 1. Trajectories of Medication Visits (A) and Therapy Visits (B) in Patients With a Diagnosis of Schizophrenia in the Suffolk County Mental Health Project.

numbers reflect considerable variation across the industrialized and the developing countries in the patterns of service use and the unmet need for care that would not be identified in studies involving clinical samples as the patients with less use of services in clinical samples would not be equally represented as the frequent users.

As another example, in a clinical epidemiological study of first-admission psychotic disorders from the private and public inpatient facilities in the Suffolk County, NY,^{14,37,41} we were able to use the latent growth class methodology^{42–44} to identify subgroups of schizophrenia patients according to their use of services in the 4-year period after their first admission.^{42,44} Groups were defined based on their longitudinal patterns (or trajectories) of medication and psychotherapy (individual, group, and family therapy combined) visits assessed at 6-month intervals (figure 1A and 1B).

In this study, which took place in a semiurban area of Long Island, only 54.6% of the 172 first-admission patients with a consensus diagnosis of schizophrenia based on 2 years of observation had continuous medication visits in the 4 years following first admission (ie, 3–6 visits per 6 mo throughout the 4-y follow-up) and only 17.4% had continuous psychotherapy visits (ie, 12–24 visits per 6 mo). In contrast, 22.2% had minimal medication

visits in the follow-up (ie, consistently less than 3 visits per 6 mo), and 41.2% had minimal therapy visits (ie, consistently less than 6 visits per 6 mo) (figure 1A and 1B). Overall, 12.8% of the sample fell in both the minimum medication and therapy visits and 16.3% in both the continuous medication and therapy visit classes.

Medication visits were strongly associated with being on psychiatric medications at each time point. For example, at the 6-month follow-up, 85.7% of the participants with continuous medication visits were taking any psychiatric medications compared with 44.4% of those with minimal medication visits ($\chi^2_{df=1}=21.94$, $P < .001$). Similarly, 90.0% of those with continuous medication visits and 39.4% with minimal medication visits were taking any psychiatric medications at the 24-month follow-up ($\chi^2_{df=1}=34.32$, $P < .001$).

The majority of the patients in the minimal medication visits and minimal psychotherapy visits remained in need of treatment through most of the first 4-year period after the index admission. Almost half of these patients were rated as continuously ill on the WHO Course of Illness Scale³⁶ at the 4-year follow-up and as many were rated as having marked deterioration on the Schedule for Affective Disorders and Schizophrenia⁴⁵ (tables 1 and 2). Furthermore, large percentages of patients in minimal medication or psychotherapy visit groups suffered from multiple episodes of illness with incomplete remission between episodes (45.7% in the minimal medications group and 50.0% in the minimal psychotherapy group). Very few of the patients with minimal contact with services remained in full remission after the first episode of illness (tables 1 and 2).

Patients with minimal medication visits were more likely than those with continuous medication visits to have multiple hospitalizations during the first 4 years (34.2% vs 21.3%, $P = .045$). However, they were less likely to remain consistently in treatment between the 4- and 10-year follow-ups or to be on any psychiatric medications at the 10-year follow-up (table 1).

Compared with patients with continuous psychotherapy visits in the first 4 years, those with minimal psychotherapy visits were more likely to be continuously ill during the first 4 years and between the 4- and 10-year follow-ups (47.0% vs 24.1% in the first 4 y and 72.4% vs 51.7% between the 4 and 10 y). However, these differences were only at a statistical trend level and did not reach a statistically significant level. Patients with continuous psychotherapy visits in the first 4 years were significantly more likely to be receiving any psychotherapy at the 10-year follow-up (table 2).

Another example that shows the utility of clinical epidemiological studies is the Australian Study of Low Prevalence Disorders.¹¹ In that study, Jablensky et al used a 2-phase survey of all the individuals with psychotic disorders who made a contact with the public mental health services in 4 urban or predominantly urban areas

in Australia in the late 1990s.¹¹ In the second phase of the study, relatively detailed interviews were conducted with a stratified random sample of the individuals screened in the first phase of the survey. In addition, the authors surveyed individuals with psychotic disorders who received care from general medical professionals or psychiatrists in private practice; homeless individuals identified at night shelters, hostels, or other “safety net” services in the community; and individuals with a history of contact with services in the past 3 years but no current contact who were identified from the service registries.⁴⁶ Among the patients thus identified, only 59.6% had used any outpatient services in the past 12 months and 43.6% had used inpatient services.⁴⁷ A total of 21.9% reported that they had used no psychiatric services in this period.

The nonusers of services generally had lower levels of symptomatology and were twice as likely as the current users to have a course of illness characterized by a single episode of psychotic illness followed by recovery and 3 times less likely to have a course of illness characterized by severe deterioration.¹¹ The nonusers were also less likely to have a comorbid substance use disorder and to have a history of self-harm behavior, arrests, and/or victimization.¹¹ These variations echo earlier research in other settings⁴⁸ indicating that in heterogeneous samples of patients with various psychotic disorders service use and the needs for care vary considerably among different subgroups of patients. However, these results are at variance with those from the homogeneous prospectively followed sample of patients with a diagnosis of schizophrenia from the Suffolk County Mental Health Project, discussed earlier, in which the course of illness in the minimal treatment group was characterized by continuous illness or significant residual symptoms.

In summary, clinical epidemiological studies address some of the deficiencies of the general population epidemiological surveys by using patient samples, thus reducing the false-positive rate, and by incorporating more detailed information on the nature and the volume of service use. Furthermore, studies of first-contact or first-admission patients, such as the Suffolk County Mental Health Project⁴¹ or the WHO 10-country study,³⁶ and studies using patient registries to identify the previous users of services, such as in the Australian Study of Low Prevalence Disorders,¹¹ can identify subgroups of patients who use fewer services or drop out of treatment—patients who are not well represented in cross-sectional clinical samples (see below).

Nevertheless, clinical epidemiological studies tend to be labor intensive and expensive. As a result, relatively few recent clinical epidemiological studies of psychotic disorders are available, and much of our knowledge about the patterns and the quality of treatments in schizophrenia patients comes from nonepidemiological, cross-sectional studies of chronically ill, clinical samples.

Table 1. Outcomes at 4 and 10 y According to Medication Visit Trajectories in First-Admission Patients With a Research Diagnosis of Schizophrenia in the Suffolk County Mental Health Project

Variable	Medication Visit Trajectories								Comparisons, Test _{df} , <i>P</i>	
	Continuous (<i>N</i> = 94)		Increasing (<i>N</i> = 16)		Decreasing (<i>N</i> = 24)		Minimal (<i>N</i> = 38)			
	<i>N</i>	%	<i>N</i>	%	<i>N</i>	%	<i>N</i>	%	All Groups	Continuous Vs Minimal
Outcomes, 4 y										
SADS rating of functioning ^{45,a}										
Return to highest premorbid level	13	15.3	0	0.0	3	13.6	3	9.7	$\chi^2_6 = 9.01, .173$	$\chi^2_2 = 0.81, .668$
Any residual impairment	37	43.5	3	20.0	7	31.8	13	41.9		
Marked deterioration	35	41.2	12	80.0	12	54.6	15	48.4		
WHO rating of course of illness ^{36,b}										
Single psychotic episode + full remission	1	1.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	2.9	$\chi^2_6 = 6.90, .330$	$\chi^2_2 = 3.55, .169$
Multiple episodes or incomplete remission	58	65.2	7	46.7	11	47.8	16	45.7		
Continuous illness	30	33.7	8	53.3	12	52.2	17	48.6		
Number of rehospitalizations ^c										
0	33	35.1	5	31.3	13	54.2	17	44.7	$\chi^2_6 = 11.7, .070$	$\chi^2_2 = 6.18, .045^*$
1	41	43.6	9	56.3	8	33.3	8	21.1		
2+	20	21.3	2	12.5	3	12.5	13	34.2		
Outcomes, 10 y										
SADS rating of functioning ^{45,d}										
Return to highest premorbid level	2	2.6	1	7.1	0	0.0	3	10.0	$\chi^2_6 = 6.00, .424$	$\chi^2_2 = 3.15, .207$
Any residual impairment	28	35.9	3	21.4	8	44.4	8	26.7		
Marked deterioration	48	61.5	10	71.4	10	55.6	19	63.3		
WHO rating of course of illness ^{36,e}										
Single psychotic episode + full remission	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	$\chi^2_3 = 1.31, .726$	$\chi^2_2 = 1.19, .275$
Multiple episodes or incomplete remission	27	34.2	5	35.7	6	33.3	7	23.3		
Continuous illness	52	65.8	9	64.3	12	66.7	23	76.7		
Number of rehospitalizations ^f										
0	41	54.0	8	57.1	8	47.1	14	51.9	$\chi^2_6 = 1.70, .945$	$\chi^2_2 = 0.36, .834$
1	8	10.5	2	14.3	3	17.7	2	7.4		
2+	27	35.5	4	28.6	6	35.3	11	40.7		
Percent of time in treatment between 4- and 10-y follow-ups ^g										
0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	5.9	3	12.5	$\chi^2_9 = 15.87, .070$	$\chi^2_3 = 11.71, .008^{**}$
1 to <50	3	4.4	1	8.3	1	5.9	3	12.5		
50 to <100	16	23.2	1	8.3	6	35.3	3	12.5		
100	50	74.5	10	83.3	9	52.9	15	62.5		
Medication use at 10-y follow-up ^h										
Any	68	91.9	14	100	16	88.9	19	76.0	$\chi^2_3 = 6.84, .077$	$\chi^2_1 = 4.43, .035^*$
None	6	8.1	0	0.0	2	11.1	6	24.0		

Note: SADS, Schedule for Affective Disorders and Schizophrenia; WHO, World Health Organization.

^a*N* = 153.

^b*N* = 162.

^c*N* = 172.

^d*N* = 140.

^e*N* = 141.

^f*N* = 134.

^g*N* = 122.

^h*N* = 131.

P* < .05, *P* < .01.

Treatment Patterns in Clinical Samples

Over the years, a number of studies have examined patterns of treatment in clinical samples of patients with schizophrenia.^{9,10,12,15–17,49–64} Differences in the time period, chronicity of the patient populations, treatment settings, and assessment methods make comparison across these

studies difficult. Nevertheless, a common theme that emerges from many of these studies is the inadequate quality of treatments provided in routine treatment settings.

A number of studies have compared the treatment patterns in routine treatment settings against the evidence-based practice guideline benchmarks.^{9,12,17,49,53,55,64}

Table 2. Outcomes at 4 and 10 y According to Therapy Visit Trajectories in First-Admission Patients With a Research Diagnosis of Schizophrenia in the Suffolk County Mental Health Project

Variable	Therapy Visit Trajectories								Comparisons, Test _{df} , <i>P</i>	
	Continuous (<i>N</i> = 94)		Increasing (<i>N</i> = 16)		Decreasing (<i>N</i> = 24)		Minimal (<i>N</i> = 38)			
	<i>N</i>	%	<i>N</i>	%	<i>N</i>	%	<i>N</i>	%	All Groups	Continuous Vs Minimal
Outcomes, 4 y										
SADS rating of functioning ^{45,a}										
Return to highest premorbid level	5	18.5	3	12.0	4	10.3	7	11.3	$\chi^2_6 = 2.81, .832$	$\chi^2_2 = 2.14, .342$
Any residual impairment	12	44.4	9	36.0	17	43.6	22	35.5		
Marked deterioration	10	37.0	13	52.0	18	46.2	33	53.2		
WHO rating of course of illness ^{36,b}										
Single psychotic episode + full remission	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	2.6	1	1.5	$\chi^2_6 = 6.65, .354$	$\chi^2_2 = 5.36, .069$
Multiple episodes or incomplete remission	22	75.9	16	57.1	21	53.9	33	50.0		
Continuous illness	7	24.1	12	42.9	17	43.6	31	47.0		
Number of rehospitalizations ^c										
0	14	46.7	9	32.1	19	44.2	26	36.6	$\chi^2_6 = 8.14, .228$	$\chi^2_2 = 1.95, .377$
1	11	36.7	16	57.1	15	34.9	24	33.8		
2+	5	16.7	3	10.7	9	20.9	21	29.6		
Outcomes, 10 y										
SADS rating of functioning ^{45,d}										
Return to highest premorbid level	3	10.7	0	0.0	1	2.9	2	3.5	$\chi^2_6 = 8.09, .232$	$\chi^2_2 = 4.62, .099$
Any residual impairment	13	46.4	5	25.0	11	32.4	18	31.0		
Marked deterioration	12	42.9	15	75.0	22	64.7	38	65.5		
WHO rating of course of illness ^{36,e}										
Single psychotic episode + full remission	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	$\chi^2_3 = 4.61, .203$	$\chi^2_2 = 3.66, .056$
Multiple episodes or incomplete remission	14	48.3	5	25.0	10	29.4	16	27.6		
Continuous illness	15	51.7	15	75.0	24	70.6	42	72.4		
Number of rehospitalizations ^f										
0	17	58.6	12	60.0	17	53.1	25	47.2	$\chi^2_6 = 3.79, .705$	$\chi^2_2 = 1.07, .587$
1	4	13.8	1	5.0	2	6.3	8	15.1		
2+	8	27.6	7	35.0	13	40.6	20	37.7		
Percent of time in treatment between 4- and 10-y follow-ups ^g										
0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	3.3	3	6.3	$\chi^2_9 = 9.41, .400$	$\chi^2_3 = 3.98, .264$
1 to <50	0	0.0	1	5.6	4	13.3	3	6.3		
50 to <100	6	23.1	5	27.8	8	26.7	7	14.6		
100	20	76.9	12	66.7	17	56.7	35	72.9		
Psychotherapy visits in the last 6 mo of the 10-y follow-up ^h										
Any visits	22	75.9	12	63.2	18	56.3	25	47.2	$\chi^2_3 = 6.59, .086$	$\chi^2_1 = 6.31, .012^*$
None	7	24.1	7	36.8	14	43.8	28	52.8		

Note: SADS, Schedule for Affective Disorders and Schizophrenia; WHO, World Health Organization.

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**P* < .05.

However, again the diversity of practice guidelines and the differences in operationalization of the benchmarks limit comparison across these studies.^{58,65} Nevertheless, some of these studies used the Schizophrenia Patient Outcome Research Team (PORT) benchmarks.^{9,12,49,66} The results of 4 such studies are summarized in table

3. The PORT benchmarks set evidence-based quality indicators for pharmacological as well as psychosocial treatments of schizophrenia in inpatient and outpatient settings. The PORT guidelines were first published in 1998⁸ and were subsequently revised in 2004.⁶⁷ All studies in table 3 used the 1998 PORT guidelines.

Table 3. Percent of Participants With Schizophrenia in Clinical Studies Who Are Receiving Treatments That Are Conformant With the PORT Treatment Recommendations

PORT Recommendations	Lehman et al ¹²		West et al ⁴⁹	Dickey et al ⁹		Busch et al ⁶⁶	
	Inpatient (%)	Outpatient (%)		Inpatient (%)	Outpatient (%)	Outpatient Managed Care (%)	Outpatient Fee for Service ^a (%)
Inpatient antipsychotic treatment	89.2	— ^b	— ^c	86.2–86.7	— ^b	— ^b	— ^b
Appropriate dose of inpatient antipsychotics	62.4	— ^b	— ^c	59.3–69.2	— ^b	— ^b	— ^b
Maintenance antipsychotic treatment	— ^b	92.3	99 ^c	— ^b	92.9–95.1	88.3	86.2–87.6
Appropriate dose of maintenance antipsychotics	— ^b	29.1	83 ^c	— ^b	34.1–45.0 ^e	— ^d	— ^d
Anti-Parkinson treatment	53.9	46.1	51	— ^d	— ^d	4.8	4.9–5.6
Depot medication	50.0	35.0	30	— ^d	— ^d	— ^d	— ^d
Adjunctive depression medications	32.2	45.7	38–100 ^f	— ^d	— ^d	— ^d	— ^d
Adjunctive anxiety medications	33.3	41.3	45	— ^d	— ^d	— ^d	— ^d
Adjunctive psychosis medications	22.9	14.4	— ^d	— ^d	— ^d	— ^d	— ^d
Any psychotherapy	96.5	45.0	69	90.0–98.9 ^g	79.2–81.2 ^g	20.3 ^h	36.9–71.6 ^h
Family therapy	31.6	9.6	— ^d	30.0–53.2 ⁱ	— ^d	0.05	0.2–0.6
Vocational rehabilitation	30.4	22.5	0	— ^d	20.4–23.2	— ^d	— ^d
Case management	8.6 ^j	10.1 ^j	38	31.9–38.3	43.4–64.0 ^k	— ^d	— ^d

Note: PORT, Patient Outcome Research Team.

^aIncludes patients in carve-out region before transition to the carve-out plan and patients in comparison regions before and after transition.

^bNot relevant.

^cThe study did not report separate values for inpatients and outpatients.

^dNot reported.

^eMean standardized monthly dose within PORT-recommended range.

^fAll the patients with a diagnosis of major depression received antidepressants, but only 38% of those with “moderate to severe” depressive symptoms did so.

^gAny psychosocial treatment.

^hIndividual therapy and/or group therapy.

ⁱAny family contact.

^jAssertive community treatment and assertive case management were included.

^kCase management was reported only in high-risk patients (ie, patients with a history of hospitalization in the past 6 mo).

The PORT group’s study is perhaps the best-known research assessing the conformance of the treatment patterns in routine care settings with the evidence-based recommendations.¹² The study examined treatment patterns in a random sample of over 700 individuals with a clinical diagnosis of schizophrenia recruited from routine care settings in a southern and a midwestern state between 1994 and 1997. The patients were sampled from inpatient units and outpatient clinics in private and public institutions, including the Veteran’s Administration facilities. The sampling sites included rural as well as urban sites.¹² The data collected by surveying the patients and abstracting the inpatient and outpatient medical records showed

a modest level of conformance with nearly all evidence-based recommendations, except for any prescription of antipsychotic medications, for which there was a high conformance (table 3). For most recommendations, fewer than half of the patients received guideline-conformant treatment. Furthermore, conformance was generally poorer for the outpatient treatments than for the inpatient treatments and for psychosocial treatments than for medications.¹²

Similar findings were reported in the 1999 American Psychiatric Association Practice Research Network (PRN) study, which used a nationally representative group of psychiatrists to obtain information about a sample of

their patients and the treatments they received.⁴⁹ Of the 151 patients with a clinical diagnosis of schizophrenia identified in this study, 99% received antipsychotic medications. However, 37% of these patients had difficulty adhering to medications, and 64% suffered from moderate to severe psychotic symptoms, likely partly due to poor adherence. Only 42% of the patients received any psychotherapy and 69% any form of psychosocial intervention, including case management.⁴⁹ The rates of conformance with the practice guideline recommendations for the psychosocial treatments ranged from 0% to 43% and were especially lower among the patients with public insurance.

The variation across the studies in table 3 can be attributable to a number of factors including differences in the composition of samples, method of assessing conformance, and differences in the definitions used. For example, the study by Lehman et al¹² examined conformance with PORT guidelines in patients in public mental health facilities in 2 states using chart reviews, whereas the study by West et al⁴⁹ used a sample of patients from practices of psychiatrists who volunteered to participate in the American Psychiatric Association PRN study, and the data provided by these psychiatrists were not independently verified. As another example, Dickey et al⁹ categorized any family contact as family therapy, whereas in Busch et al⁶⁶ study family therapy was more stringently defined based on coded claims data. These differences make direct comparison of estimates in table 3 difficult. Furthermore, the definitions of psychotherapy and vocational rehabilitation in these and other studies of quality of treatments in routine clinical settings are often very broad and overinclusive. Thus, these studies likely overestimate the rates of conformance with evidence-based guidelines with regard to these treatments. Nevertheless, it is noteworthy that even with the broad and overinclusive definitions the rates of conformance in these studies are consistently low (table 3).

A few studies have investigated the impact of contextual and service-level characteristics on treatment patterns.^{9,17,51} For example, Young et al¹⁷ examined the treatment patterns of 224 outpatients with schizophrenia recruited from 2 publicly funded clinics: an outpatient Veterans Administration (VA) clinic and a Community Mental Health Center (CMHC) clinic. The authors found significant differences in the treatment patterns between the 2 settings. More patients in the VA clinic compared with the CMHC clinic received poor quality medication management of their symptoms and side effects (44% vs 31%). Even after excluding patients who had characteristics that contributed to poor treatment quality (such as poor adherence or substance use disorders), the difference between the settings persisted. However, the schizophrenia patients with severe disability in the CMHC clinic were somewhat more likely to receive poor quality case management than those in the VA clinic.¹⁷

A reanalysis of the PORT study data by Rosenheck et al⁵¹ mainly confirmed the results of the Young et al¹⁷ study by finding greater conformance with the PORT guidelines in the non-VA settings compared with the VA settings of the PORT study. Patients in the non-VA outpatient settings were more likely than their VA counterparts to be taking at least one antipsychotic medication, to be on a depot medication if they had trouble with compliance, or to be receiving work therapy or job training and were less likely to be receiving a dose greater than 600 mg equivalent of chlorpromazine. Patients in the non-VA inpatient settings were also more likely to be offered individual or group therapy or assertive community treatment. However, these patients were more likely than their VA counterparts to be on a dose smaller than 300 mg chlorpromazine equivalent.⁵¹

In summary, studies comparing treatment patterns in routine treatment settings have mostly found that conformance is poorer for psychosocial treatments than for medications treatments, for outpatient settings than for inpatient settings, and in the VA than in the non-VA facilities. When contrasted with the relatively high-conformance rates with medication treatment benchmarks, the modest conformance rates for vocational rehabilitation and family therapy suggest that the main focus of treatments in many services is on management of symptoms rather than on rehabilitation and improvement of social and occupational functioning.

Correlates of Treatment Patterns

A large number of clinical studies have specifically examined the impact of clinical and sociodemographic characteristics on treatment patterns in general and on adherence with medication treatments in particular.^{68,69} Lack of insight, cognitive problems, comorbid substance use disorders, minority racial status, and younger age have all been associated with poorer adherence with treatment.^{16,68–71} Whereas the use of depot medications⁶⁸ and various psychosocial interventions^{2,72} have been shown to improve adherence with medication treatments, the use of both remains limited (table 1). Lack of efficacy and bothersome side effects remain the major reasons for medication nonadherence in most cases.¹

The Impact of Managed Care

The majority of studies reviewed above were based on data from the 1990s. However, since then, there have been significant changes in the structure and the content of services for patients with severe mental disorders in the United States, most importantly due to expansion of managed care plans. Findings with regard to patterns of treatment under managed care payment arrangements have been mixed.^{37,65,66,73,74} One study of 420 Medicaid beneficiaries in Massachusetts found no differences between patients enrolled in a capitated managed care plan and those in

a fee-for-service program with regard to patterns of medication use or the use of psychosocial treatments.⁹

In another study of Medicaid enrollees, the introduction of a carve-out arrangement led to a reduction in the proportion of patients with schizophrenia who received any form of psychosocial treatment, including individual or group psychotherapy or psychosocial rehabilitation. No changes were observed in the area of medication management (eg, likelihood of receiving any antipsychotic medication, receiving second-generation antipsychotics, management of side effects). The authors attributed these changes in the receipt of psychosocial treatments to the fact that managed care carve outs were at financial risk for providing these treatments but not for providing medications.⁶⁶

Similar findings were reported in other settings. For example, results from a Medicaid program in 2 counties in Florida between 1994 and 2000 revealed no meaningful changes in the percentage of patients with schizophrenia who had used antipsychotic medications: 86.2% in 1994–1995 vs 89.8% in 1999–2000.⁷³ In contrast, in the same time span, the use of individual and/or group therapy decreased from 52.4% to 30.4%, and the rate of psychosocial rehabilitation decreased from 47.6% to 39.7. Less than 1% of the patients received family therapy across the years.⁷³ A later study based on a sample of patients in the Florida Medicaid program found that the care of patients in a prepaid mental health program and a Health Maintenance Organization was much less likely to conform to the American Psychiatric Association's practice guidelines, mainly due to the low conformance with psychotherapy guidelines.⁷⁵

Another study found a significant increase in the discontinuity of antipsychotic medications after transition to the mental health carve-out arrangement in the Tennessee Medicaid program.⁷⁴ The study used administrative data on over 8000 patients in 2 cohorts enrolled in the Medicaid program, one cohort preceded the introduction of the carve-out plan and the other immediately followed it. Among patients for whom continuity of treatment was deemed “essential” based on their history, 29% in the posttransition cohort compared with 20% in the pretransition cohort experienced discontinuity of over 60 days in medication treatment.⁷⁴ This study did not examine changes in the use of psychosocial treatments.

Finally, a study examining the prior authorization regulation for the use of atypical antipsychotic medications implemented in the Maine Medicaid program in 2003 also found increased psychiatric medication discontinuity and switching of medications.⁷⁶ The Maine program was discontinued in 2004, but as the authors note, many other Medicaid managed care programs across the United States require preauthorization for the costlier antipsychotic medications.⁷⁶

The introduction of the new Medicare Part D insurance may have created new complexities in the care of patients with schizophrenia as this insurance plan includes a cap on

spending. There is some evidence that patients with severe mental disorders are at increased risk of discontinuities in medication treatment when faced with gaps in medication insurance coverage such as those imposed by spending caps.⁷⁷ The effects of the Part D insurance in this patient population have yet to be fully appreciated.

In summary, managed care arrangements have had variable effects across different settings but are typically associated with reduced use of psychosocial treatments.^{71,73,75,78} Furthermore, in some, but not all settings, managed care arrangements appear to be associated with increased discontinuity in treatment.^{37,74,78,79}

Unmet Need for Other Services

Patients with schizophrenia often face unmet needs for many other services beyond the traditional mental health services. There has been a renewed interest in the medical care of these patients, including receipt of the needed preventive and treatment services for chronic medical conditions and dental care.^{80,81} There is also a growing body of literature pointing to the lower quality of the medical services in patients with schizophrenia and other severe mental disorders,^{82–84} as well as a widening mortality gap between these patients and the general population.⁸⁵

The widespread use of the atypical or second-generation antipsychotic medications has further contributed to the medical problems of patients with schizophrenia as some of these medications are associated with significant weight gain and an increased risk of hyperglycemia and hyperlipidemia.¹ Nevertheless, the need for proper monitoring of these metabolic parameters and interventions to reduce the risk of future comorbidities often remains unmet. In one study of Medicaid patients who were started on an atypical antipsychotic medication, only 19% received baseline glucose testing and 6% received baseline lipid testing.⁸⁶ The rates increased modestly between 1998 and 2003.⁸⁶ In another study of patients in 3 VA clinics between 2002 and 2004, 46.2% had a weight problem.⁸⁷ In almost none was the weight problem appropriately managed. As another example, a recent study of smokers with type 2 diabetes found that individuals with schizophrenia in this sample were significantly less likely than their counterparts without a serious mental illness to receive preventive treatments such as regular blood pressure examinations, lipid profiles, or treatment with angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors or statins.⁸⁸

The high prevalence of medical problems in patients with schizophrenia also calls for integration or better coordination of mental health and general medical services.⁸⁹ However, coordination between various services for this patient group and other patients with severe mental disorders is often inadequate.⁹⁰ For example, in a study of the Massachusetts Medicaid beneficiaries, contact between the mental health and the outpatient primary care providers was noted in only 43%–50% of

the inpatients and 22.1%–24.2% of the outpatients with schizophrenia.⁹

Another mostly unmet service need in this patient population that also calls for integration of services or coordination across services is the need for substance abuse treatment.⁹⁰ Drug and alcohol disorders are commonly comorbid with schizophrenia. For example, in the National Institute of Mental Health Clinical Antipsychotic Trials of Intervention Effectiveness, about 60% of schizophrenia patients were found to use substances and 37% met criteria for a current substance use disorder.⁹¹ Furthermore, these disorders have significant implications for the management and the social and clinical outcomes of schizophrenia.^{91–94} Nevertheless, in many of these patients, substance disorders go untreated. In one study, only about half of the schizophrenia patients with a need for substance abuse treatment received such care.⁹ The traditional separation between mental health and substance abuse services further contributes to the problem of unmet need for substance abuse treatment in this patient population. The recognition that substance comorbidity in this population is the norm rather than an exception and that addressing one problem without the other is inefficient has led to a number of recent attempts at implementation of integrated programs.^{95,96} Dual diagnosis programs are also now available in many substance disorder treatment facilities, although the range of services needed by dual diagnosis patients is not available in all these programs.⁹⁷

Many schizophrenia patients smoke.^{98–100} A meta-analysis of over 40 studies from across the world found both a greater risk of current smoking (odds ratio [OR] = 5.3, 95% confidence interval [CI] = 4.9–5.7) and a lower likelihood of smoking cessation (OR = 0.46, 95% CI = 0.23–0.69) in patients with schizophrenia.⁹⁸ The estimated prevalence of smoking in schizophrenia patients in this meta-analysis was 62%,⁹⁸ attesting to the unmet need for management of smoking in this patient population.

Meeting the patients' multiple needs for medical care and substance abuse treatment is especially difficult for practitioners working in solo practices or in small, single specialty group practices. For these practitioners, the solution to this problem calls for establishing more meaningful links and better coordination with other providers or agencies. The growing use of information technology can potentially facilitate such coordination.^{101,102} However, psychiatry has been slow in adopting information technology.¹⁰³

Better integration of individuals with schizophrenia in the community would ultimately depend on their ability to attain meaningful social roles, including useful employment that can provide a sense of mastery and self-worth. Due to the disabling nature of the illness, many individuals with schizophrenia would need extra support and guidance beyond traditional vocational counseling to find and maintain useful employment. There is a growing

body of literature indicating that supported employment produces better results than conventional vocational training or other interventions in this patient population.^{104–107} Dissemination of these practices in the VA system has produced modest but promising results.^{108–110}

Finally, many patients with schizophrenia are at increased risk of homelessness and associated adverse social and health outcomes, such as victimization and sexually transmitted diseases.^{91,111–116} These patients often need the help of a case manager to negotiate the elaborate maze of social service organizations and to obtain housing and other needed social services.¹¹⁷ However, as data reviewed earlier suggest (table 3), only a minority of patients in need of case management receive such service.

Patients' Perceived Unmet Need for Care

The studies reviewed above underscore the deficiencies in the treatment of schizophrenia by examining the patterns of service use in routine treatment settings and, in some cases, by comparing these patterns with the evidence-based practice guideline recommendations for the treatment of schizophrenia. Another perspective on the problem of unmet need for care in this patient population is the patients' perceptions of the nature and extent of their met and unmet needs.^{118–124} This direct approach to assessing needs is in keeping with current trends toward shared decision making in the care of patients with severe mental disorders and reflects the diversity of the needs in this patient population.^{125–127}

Over the years, a number of instruments have been developed to assess the patients' perceptions of their needs.^{122–124} Perhaps, the most widely used of these measures is the Camberwell Assessment of Needs (CAN) instrument that asks questions regarding the perceived met and unmet needs of the patients in areas ranging from the management of psychotic symptoms to the need for food, child-care, and transportation. Studies comparing patient and staff reports of met and unmet needs in these areas have identified some consistencies.^{119,123} However, the studies have also identified differences between the patient and staff views, especially with regard to unmet needs. For example, in a Nordic study of schizophrenia patients, the most prevalent patient-identified unmet needs were in the domains of company, intimate relationships, and psychological distress; whereas, psychotic symptoms and daytime activities were among the top-rated areas of unmet need by the staff.¹¹⁹ Furthermore, the small number of patient-reported unmet needs in these studies is surprising given the wide gaps in the quality of treatment in routine treatment settings. For example, out of the 22 possible unmet needs on the CAN instrument, the patients and caregivers in the Nordic study identified on average about 2 unmet needs.¹¹⁹ The differences in the patient and staff views, as well as between the unmet needs identified in the epidemiological and

the clinical studies on the one hand and the patients' perceptions of unmet needs on the other hand, highlight the complexities inherent in defining needs and, by extension, in defining the unmet needs in this patient population.¹²²

A number of factors likely contribute to the differences in results of need assessment using these different approaches and perspectives. Many patients with schizophrenia may not fully appreciate the extent of their mental health problems and their mental health-care needs.^{128,129} Furthermore, individuals vary in their needs and responses to treatments, whereas evidence-based standards provide universal benchmarks based on the needs and treatment responses of a typical patient. Finally, perceptions of need naturally differ between different stakeholders, and no one perspective can be said to be necessarily more accurate or true than another. Rather, these differences in the patient and provider perspectives may present opportunities to involve patients and families as well as other stakeholders in the treatment planning process.^{130,131}

Conclusion

The preceding overview of the literature on patterns of treatment in schizophrenia and the extent of the unmet need for care reveals considerable gaps in our current knowledge. First, there is a paucity of reliable data from population-based epidemiological studies in the United States on which to base the population estimates of treatment and the potential unmet need for treatment. As noted earlier, difficulties inherent in the assessment of rare disorders severely limit our ability to accurately identify individuals with schizophrenia in ongoing epidemiological surveys of general populations using lay-administered interview instruments.³³ Without accurate identification of the cases, establishing treatment patterns and the extent of the unmet need for care in these surveys is not feasible. Multistage survey methods¹³² or clinician-augmented surveys³⁰ improve upon such classification, but they typically incur considerable additional costs and are not always implemented. Furthermore, these methods cannot resolve the problem of selective nonresponse and undersampling of individuals who are homeless, incarcerated, or living in quasi-institutional community settings.³⁰

Nevertheless, the available data from the major US population surveys suggest that approximately 40% of individuals in the community with schizophrenia remain out of care either consistently or at least for long periods of time while experiencing significant symptoms. Clinical epidemiological studies address some of the limitations of general population surveys by reducing the false-positive rate and by using more detailed assessments.^{11,36,41} These studies also indicate that a significant percentage of patients remain consistently out of treatment after their initial contact with services. In the Suffolk County Mental Health Project, eg, 20% of patients with a diagnosis of

schizophrenia remained consistently out of medication treatment and about 40% remained consistently out of therapy.

As the large majority of these individuals continue to experience significant symptoms and disability, making services available to them remains a priority. The stigma associated with mental illness and its treatment is a major barrier to treatment seeking among these individuals. Much attention has focused on reducing this stigma using media and educational campaigns. The World Psychiatric Association's program to fight stigma and discrimination against schizophrenia, implemented in over 20 countries, has been one of the most extensive of such efforts.¹³³ With regard to more common disorders, such public campaigns have resulted in modest improvements in attitudes and treatment seeking.^{134,135} There is also evidence from Australia and Germany that public attitudes toward mental health treatment seeking for schizophrenia became more favorable between the early 1990s and the early 2000s.^{136,137} However, due to the relative rarity of schizophrenia, the impact of changes in public attitudes on treatment seeking for this disorder may be more difficult to assess than the impact on treatment seeking for the more common mood and anxiety disorders.

Another significant problem affecting the continuity of treatment of schizophrenia in routine care settings is the problem of nonadherence with treatments.^{14-16,72} Up to half of schizophrenia patients, experience extended gaps in their treatment in a 1-year period leading to increased hospitalizations and other adverse outcomes.^{14,138,139} There have been a number of focused attempts to reduce the frequency of these gaps and to improve the patients' adherence using psychosocial interventions based on motivational interviewing methods, other cognitive-behavioral approaches, psychoeducation, medication self-management, and, more recently, environmental support.^{72,140,141} However, the evidence with regard to the efficacy of some of these interventions has been mixed.¹⁴²⁻¹⁴⁴ Furthermore, the mental health services have been slow in adopting these interventions.

The problem of unmet need for care in individuals who never initiate treatment or in patients who disengage from treatment is compounded by the unmet needs of a large proportion of patients who are in treatment but who continue to experience significant symptoms and disability. At least half of all patients with schizophrenia treated in routine care settings continue to have significant psychotic or other psychiatric symptoms that are potentially amenable to pharmacological treatments.^{49,87} Comparisons of the treatment patterns in routine treatment settings with evidence-based standards show that the overwhelming majority of individuals in treatment receive antipsychotic medications. Furthermore, at least in inpatient settings, the dose of prescribed antipsychotic medications is usually in the therapeutic range. However, there are gaps between current practices

and evidence-based recommendations with regard to the appropriate pharmacological management of nonpsychotic symptoms and side effects, use of psychosocial treatments, and use of medical, dental, and substance disorder services and social services and with regard to coordination among the different services.

There is growing evidence that guideline-conformant treatments could potentially improve patient outcomes and reduce the avertable social and health burden of psychiatric illness^{75,145} at minimal additional costs.^{75,146} However, services have been slow in adopting care practices that are consistent with the evidence-based guidelines. The individual practice styles and institutional barriers such as lack of resources all likely contribute to the slow adoption of the guideline-consistent practices.^{147,148}

Setting performance measures appears to be a straightforward approach to improving conformance with practice guidelines. In the VA health-care system, creating system-wide evidence-based performance measures has had some degree of success in improving conformance with the guidelines.^{149–151} For example, one performance measure requiring that all veterans have a primary care provider has led to significant improvement in medical care and receipt of preventive services in patients with severe mental disorders. However, changing clinician's practice styles is not easy.¹⁵² Although introducing incentives, eg, in the form of pay-for-performance arrangements, appears to be an attractive approach to changing clinician's behaviors, when applied in general medical settings, these initiatives have had mixed results, sometimes with unintended adverse consequences.^{153–157}

The expansion of managed care in more recent years may have further widened the gap between usual practice and evidence-based standards, at least with regard to the use of psychosocial treatments^{66,73,75} and, perhaps, continuity of treatments.^{37,74} As Mechanic⁶⁵ notes, the trend toward restricting the intensity of services under managed care plans may have led to more homogeneous service patterns and less variation among the different patient populations with different levels of need.

The consistent finding of a reduced use of psychosocial treatments under managed care is disconcerting as psychosocial treatments are often complementary to medications and can potentially address problem areas that are less responsive to medication treatments, such as poor social skills and negative symptoms.^{2,158,159} Furthermore, psychosocial treatments are likely more beneficial in the later stages of illness when the acute symptoms have subsided.² The long-term impact of managed care on the clinical and social outcomes of the patients with schizophrenia remains to be fully appreciated.^{65,75}

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disorder, it is usually secondary to repeated interpersonal failures due to angry outbursts and frequent mood shifts, rather than a result of a persistent lack of social contacts and desire for intimacy. Furthermore, individuals with schizotypal personality disorder do not usually demonstrate the impulsive or manipulative behaviors of the individual with borderline personality disorder. However, there is a high rate of co-occurrence between the two disorders, so that making such distinctions is not always feasible. Schizotypal features during adolescence may be reflective of transient emotional turmoil, rather than an enduring personality disorder.

Cluster B Personality Disorders

Antisocial Personality Disorder

Diagnostic Criteria

301.7 (F60.2)

- A. A pervasive pattern of disregard for and violation of the rights of others, occurring since age 15 years, as indicated by three (or more) of the following:
 1. Failure to conform to social norms with respect to lawful behaviors, as indicated by repeatedly performing acts that are grounds for arrest.
 2. Deceitfulness, as indicated by repeated lying, use of aliases, or conning others for personal profit or pleasure.
 3. Impulsivity or failure to plan ahead.
 4. Irritability and aggressiveness, as indicated by repeated physical fights or assaults.
 5. Reckless disregard for safety of self or others.
 6. Consistent irresponsibility, as indicated by repeated failure to sustain consistent work behavior or honor financial obligations.
 7. Lack of remorse, as indicated by being indifferent to or rationalizing having hurt, mistreated, or stolen from another.
 - B. The individual is at least age 18 years.
 - C. There is evidence of conduct disorder with onset before age 15 years.
 - D. The occurrence of antisocial behavior is not exclusively during the course of schizophrenia or bipolar disorder.
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Diagnostic Features

The essential feature of antisocial personality disorder is a pervasive pattern of disregard for, and violation of, the rights of others that begins in childhood or early adolescence and continues into adulthood. This pattern has also been referred to as *psychopathy*, *sociopathy*, or *dyssocial personality disorder*. Because deceit and manipulation are central features of antisocial personality disorder, it may be especially helpful to integrate information acquired from systematic clinical assessment with information collected from collateral sources.

For this diagnosis to be given, the individual must be at least age 18 years (Criterion B) and must have had a history of some symptoms of conduct disorder before age 15 years (Criterion C). Conduct disorder involves a repetitive and persistent pattern of behavior in which the basic rights of others or major age-appropriate societal norms or rules are violated. The specific behaviors characteristic of conduct disorder fall into one of four categories: aggression to people and animals, destruction of property, deceitfulness or theft, or serious violation of rules.

The pattern of antisocial behavior continues into adulthood. Individuals with antisocial personality disorder fail to conform to social norms with respect to lawful behavior (Criterion A1). They may repeatedly perform acts that are grounds for arrest (whether they are arrested or not), such as destroying property, harassing others, stealing, or pursuing illegal occupations. Persons with this disorder disregard the wishes, rights, or feelings of others. They are frequently deceitful and manipulative in order to gain personal profit or pleasure (e.g., to obtain money, sex, or power) (Criterion A2). They may repeatedly lie, use an alias, con others, or malingering. A pattern of impulsivity may be manifested by a failure to plan ahead (Criterion A3). Decisions are made on the spur of the moment, without forethought and without consideration for the consequences to self or others; this may lead to sudden changes of jobs, residences, or relationships. Individuals with antisocial personality disorder tend to be irritable and aggressive and may repeatedly get into physical fights or commit acts of physical assault (including spouse beating or child beating) (Criterion A4). (Aggressive acts that are required to defend oneself or someone else are not considered to be evidence for this item.) These individuals also display a reckless disregard for the safety of themselves or others (Criterion A5). This may be evidenced in their driving behavior (i.e., recurrent speeding, driving while intoxicated, multiple accidents). They may engage in sexual behavior or substance use that has a high risk for harmful consequences. They may neglect or fail to care for a child in a way that puts the child in danger.

Individuals with antisocial personality disorder also tend to be consistently and extremely irresponsible (Criterion A6). Irresponsible work behavior may be indicated by significant periods of unemployment despite available job opportunities, or by abandonment of several jobs without a realistic plan for getting another job. There may also be a pattern of repeated absences from work that are not explained by illness either in themselves or in their family. Financial irresponsibility is indicated by acts such as defaulting on debts, failing to provide child support, or failing to support other dependents on a regular basis. Individuals with antisocial personality disorder show little remorse for the consequences of their acts (Criterion A7). They may be indifferent to, or provide a superficial rationalization for, having hurt, mistreated, or stolen from someone (e.g., "life's unfair," "losers deserve to lose"). These individuals may blame the victims for being foolish, helpless, or deserving their fate (e.g., "he had it coming anyway"); they may minimize the harmful consequences of their actions; or they may simply indicate complete indifference. They generally fail to compensate or make amends for their behavior. They may believe that everyone is out to "help number one" and that one should stop at nothing to avoid being pushed around.

The antisocial behavior must not occur exclusively during the course of schizophrenia or bipolar disorder (Criterion D).

Associated Features Supporting Diagnosis

Individuals with antisocial personality disorder frequently lack empathy and tend to be callous, cynical, and contemptuous of the feelings, rights, and sufferings of others. They may have an inflated and arrogant self-appraisal (e.g., feel that ordinary work is beneath them or lack a realistic concern about their current problems or their future) and may be excessively opinionated, self-assured, or cocky. They may display a glib, superficial charm and can be quite voluble and verbally facile (e.g., using technical terms or jargon that might impress someone who is unfamiliar with the topic). Lack of empathy, inflated self-appraisal, and superficial charm are features that have been commonly included in traditional conceptions of psychopathy that may be particularly distinguishing of the disorder and more predictive of recidivism in prison or forensic settings, where criminal, delinquent, or aggressive acts are likely to be nonspecific. These individuals may also be irresponsible and exploitative in their sexual relationships. They may have a history of many

sexual partners and may never have sustained a monogamous relationship. They may be irresponsible as parents, as evidenced by malnutrition of a child, an illness in the child resulting from a lack of minimal hygiene, a child's dependence on neighbors or nonresident relatives for food or shelter, a failure to arrange for a caretaker for a young child when the individual is away from home, or repeated squandering of money required for household necessities. These individuals may receive dishonorable discharges from the armed services, may fail to be self-supporting, may become impoverished or even homeless, or may spend many years in penal institutions. Individuals with antisocial personality disorder are more likely than people in the general population to die prematurely by violent means (e.g., suicide, accidents, homicides).

Individuals with antisocial personality disorder may also experience dysphoria, including complaints of tension, inability to tolerate boredom, and depressed mood. They may have associated anxiety disorders, depressive disorders, substance use disorders, somatic symptom disorder, gambling disorder, and other disorders of impulse control. Individuals with antisocial personality disorder also often have personality features that meet criteria for other personality disorders, particularly borderline, histrionic, and narcissistic personality disorders. The likelihood of developing antisocial personality disorder in adult life is increased if the individual experienced childhood onset of conduct disorder (before age 10 years) and accompanying attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder. Child abuse or neglect, unstable or erratic parenting, or inconsistent parental discipline may increase the likelihood that conduct disorder will evolve into antisocial personality disorder.

Prevalence

Twelve-month prevalence rates of antisocial personality disorder, using criteria from previous DSMs, are between 0.2% and 3.3%. The highest prevalence of antisocial personality disorder (greater than 70%) is among most severe samples of males with alcohol use disorder and from substance abuse clinics, prisons, or other forensic settings. Prevalence is higher in samples affected by adverse socioeconomic (i.e., poverty) or sociocultural (i.e., migration) factors.

Development and Course

Antisocial personality disorder has a chronic course but may become less evident or remit as the individual grows older, particularly by the fourth decade of life. Although this remission tends to be particularly evident with respect to engaging in criminal behavior, there is likely to be a decrease in the full spectrum of antisocial behaviors and substance use. By definition, antisocial personality cannot be diagnosed before age 18 years.

Risk and Prognostic Factors

Genetic and physiological. Antisocial personality disorder is more common among the first-degree biological relatives of those with the disorder than in the general population. The risk to biological relatives of females with the disorder tends to be higher than the risk to biological relatives of males with the disorder. Biological relatives of individuals with this disorder are also at increased risk for somatic symptom disorder and substance use disorders. Within a family that has a member with antisocial personality disorder, males more often have antisocial personality disorder and substance use disorders, whereas females more often have somatic symptom disorder. However, in such families, there is an increase in prevalence of all of these disorders in both males and females compared with the general population. Adoption studies indicate that both genetic and environmental factors contribute to the risk of developing antisocial personality disorder. Both adopted and biological children of parents with antisocial personality disorder have an increased

risk of developing antisocial personality disorder, somatic symptom disorder, and substance use disorders. Adopted-away children resemble their biological parents more than their adoptive parents, but the adoptive family environment influences the risk of developing a personality disorder and related psychopathology.

Culture-Related Diagnostic Issues

Antisocial personality disorder appears to be associated with low socioeconomic status and urban settings. Concerns have been raised that the diagnosis may at times be misapplied to individuals in settings in which seemingly antisocial behavior may be part of a protective survival strategy. In assessing antisocial traits, it is helpful for the clinician to consider the social and economic context in which the behaviors occur.

Gender-Related Diagnostic Issues

Antisocial personality disorder is much more common in males than in females. There has been some concern that antisocial personality disorder may be underdiagnosed in females, particularly because of the emphasis on aggressive items in the definition of conduct disorder.

Differential Diagnosis

The diagnosis of antisocial personality disorder is not given to individuals younger than 18 years and is given only if there is a history of some symptoms of conduct disorder before age 15 years. For individuals older than 18 years, a diagnosis of conduct disorder is given only if the criteria for antisocial personality disorder are not met.

Substance use disorders. When antisocial behavior in an adult is associated with a substance use disorder, the diagnosis of antisocial personality disorder is not made unless the signs of antisocial personality disorder were also present in childhood and have continued into adulthood. When substance use and antisocial behavior both began in childhood and continued into adulthood, both a substance use disorder and antisocial personality disorder should be diagnosed if the criteria for both are met, even though some antisocial acts may be a consequence of the substance use disorder (e.g., illegal selling of drugs, thefts to obtain money for drugs).

Schizophrenia and bipolar disorders. Antisocial behavior that occurs exclusively during the course of schizophrenia or a bipolar disorder should not be diagnosed as antisocial personality disorder.

Other personality disorders. Other personality disorders may be confused with antisocial personality disorder because they have certain features in common. It is therefore important to distinguish among these disorders based on differences in their characteristic features. However, if an individual has personality features that meet criteria for one or more personality disorders in addition to antisocial personality disorder, all can be diagnosed. Individuals with antisocial personality disorder and narcissistic personality disorder share a tendency to be tough-minded, glib, superficial, exploitative, and lack empathy. However, narcissistic personality disorder does not include characteristics of impulsivity, aggression, and deceit. In addition, individuals with antisocial personality disorder may not be as needy of the admiration and envy of others, and persons with narcissistic personality disorder usually lack the history of conduct disorder in childhood or criminal behavior in adulthood. Individuals with antisocial personality disorder and histrionic personality disorder share a tendency to be impulsive, superficial, excitement seeking, reckless, seductive, and manipulative, but persons with histrionic personality disorder tend to be more exaggerated in their emotions and do not characteristically engage in antisocial behaviors. Individuals with histrionic and borderline personality disorders are

manipulative to gain nurturance, whereas those with antisocial personality disorder are manipulative to gain profit, power, or some other material gratification. Individuals with antisocial personality disorder tend to be less emotionally unstable and more aggressive than those with borderline personality disorder. Although antisocial behavior may be present in some individuals with paranoid personality disorder, it is not usually motivated by a desire for personal gain or to exploit others as in antisocial personality disorder, but rather is more often attributable to a desire for revenge.

Criminal behavior not associated with a personality disorder. Antisocial personality disorder must be distinguished from criminal behavior undertaken for gain that is not accompanied by the personality features characteristic of this disorder. Only when antisocial personality traits are inflexible, maladaptive, and persistent and cause significant functional impairment or subjective distress do they constitute antisocial personality disorder.

Borderline Personality Disorder

Diagnostic Criteria

301.83 (F60.3)

A pervasive pattern of instability of interpersonal relationships, self-image, and affects, and marked impulsivity, beginning by early adulthood and present in a variety of contexts, as indicated by five (or more) of the following:

1. Frantic efforts to avoid real or imagined abandonment. (**Note:** Do not include suicidal or self-mutilating behavior covered in Criterion 5.)
2. A pattern of unstable and intense interpersonal relationships characterized by alternating between extremes of idealization and devaluation.
3. Identity disturbance: markedly and persistently unstable self-image or sense of self.
4. Impulsivity in at least two areas that are potentially self-damaging (e.g., spending, sex, substance abuse, reckless driving, binge eating). (**Note:** Do not include suicidal or self-mutilating behavior covered in Criterion 5.)
5. Recurrent suicidal behavior, gestures, or threats, or self-mutilating behavior.
6. Affective instability due to a marked reactivity of mood (e.g., intense episodic dysphoria, irritability, or anxiety usually lasting a few hours and only rarely more than a few days).
7. Chronic feelings of emptiness.
8. Inappropriate, intense anger or difficulty controlling anger (e.g., frequent displays of temper, constant anger, recurrent physical fights).
9. Transient, stress-related paranoid ideation or severe dissociative symptoms.

Diagnostic Features

The essential feature of borderline personality disorder is a pervasive pattern of instability of interpersonal relationships, self-image, and affects, and marked impulsivity that begins by early adulthood and is present in a variety of contexts.

Individuals with borderline personality disorder make frantic efforts to avoid real or imagined abandonment (Criterion 1). The perception of impending separation or rejection, or the loss of external structure, can lead to profound changes in self-image, affect, cognition, and behavior. These individuals are very sensitive to environmental circumstances. They experience intense abandonment fears and inappropriate anger even when faced with a realistic time-limited separation or when there are unavoidable changes in plans (e.g., sudden despair in reaction to a clinician's announcing the end of the hour; panic or fury when someone important to them is just a few minutes late or must cancel an appointment). They may believe that this "abandonment" implies they are "bad." These abandonment fears are related to an intolerance of being alone and a need to have other people with them. Their frantic

Evaluating Competency for Execution after *Madison v. Alabama*

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This article summarizes the evolution of the U.S. Supreme Court's standard for assessing defendants' competency for execution. In *Ford v. Wainwright* (1986), the Court categorically exempted insane defendants from execution but failed to agree on how to define insanity. In *Panetti v. Quarterman* (2007), the Court ruled that defendants may be executed only if they rationally understand why they are being punished. In its most recent decision, the Supreme Court ruled in *Madison v. Alabama* (2019) that defendants who cannot remember committing the original crime may be executed, but dementia may prevent defendants from rationally understanding why they are being punished. The Court remanded the case to Alabama's trial court with instructions to re-determine Mr. Madison's competency. This article concludes by recommending best practices for those who evaluate defendants for competency to be executed.

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In 1986, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the Eighth Amendment prohibits executing insane defendants.¹ Years later, in 2007, the Court clarified that the Eighth Amendment forbids executing those who cannot rationally understand why they are to be executed and noted that psychotic disorders may preclude such an understanding.² Most recently, in 2019, the Court ruled that a finding of incompetency to be executed is not associated with any particular diagnosis but rather with a specific consequence, i.e., the defendant's inability to rationally understand the reasons for the imposition of the death sentence. This article reviews Supreme Court cases on competency for execution and concludes by recommending best practices for those who evaluate defendants in this capacity.

Ford v. Wainwright

Ford v. Wainwright (1986)¹ marked the first time that the U.S. Supreme Court addressed the question

of whether the Eighth Amendment's prohibition against cruel and unusual punishment forbids executing "the insane" (Ref. 1, p 401). Although Alvin Ford appeared competent throughout his trial, he exhibited signs of delusions during his subsequent imprisonment. Unlike many cases, the Court in *Ford* did not achieve a traditional majority opinion. Instead, Justice Powell concurred in part with four other Justices to hold that "the Eighth Amendment prohibits a State from carrying out a sentence of death upon a prisoner who is insane" (Ref. 1, pp 409–10). The Court reasoned that "[i]t is no less abhorrent today than it has been for centuries to exact in penance the life of one whose mental illness prevents him from comprehending the reasons for the penalty or its implications" (Ref. 1, p 417).

Four of the five Justices who formed the plurality believed that defendants should have the right to cross-examine state experts, among other procedural protections.¹ Justice Powell, however, expressed the view that "ordinary adversarial procedures—complete with live testimony, cross-examination, and oral argument by counsel—are not necessarily the best means of arriving at sound, consistent judgments as to a defendant's sanity" (Ref. 1, p 426). The only procedural right that Justice Powell explicitly endorsed was the defendant's right to present "expert psychiatric evidence that may differ from the State's own psychiatric examination" (Ref. 1, p 427).

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The Court plurality declared that “we leave to the State the task of developing appropriate ways to enforce the constitutional restriction upon its execution of sentences” (Ref. 1, pp 416–17). In other words, the plurality did not articulate a specific standard for assessing competency for execution. Justice Powell, however, noted that, at a minimum, states’ statutes agreed that defendants must “know the fact[s] of their impending execution and the reason for it” (Ref. 1, p 422). Justice Powell wrote, “I would hold that the Eighth Amendment forbids the execution only of those who are unaware of the punishment they are about to suffer and why they are to suffer it” (Ref. 1, p 422). Thus, Justice Powell considered a defendant able to understand why they are being executed “[i]f the defendant perceives the connection between his crime and his punishment” (Ref. 1, p 422).

When applying this standard to Mr. Ford, Justice Powell concluded, “According to petitioner’s proffered psychiatric examination, petitioner does not know that he is to be executed, but rather believes that the death penalty has been invalidated. If this assessment is correct, petitioner cannot connect his execution to the crime for which he was convicted” (Ref. 1, pp 422–23).

Panetti v. Quarterman (2007)

The Court next addressed competency for execution in *Panetti v. Quarterman* (2007),² where Scott Panetti displayed “a fragmented personality, delusions, and hallucinations” (Ref. 2, p 936). After the trial court found Mr. Panetti competent for execution, Mr. Panetti’s counsel filed a writ of *habeas corpus*. The district court³ held that “[b]ecause the Court finds that Panetti knows he committed two murders, he knows he is to be executed, and he knows the reason the State has given for his execution is his commission of those murders, he is competent to be executed” (Ref. 3, p 712). Mr. Panetti subsequently appealed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit,⁴ claiming that:

the Eighth Amendment forbids the execution of a prisoner who lacks a rational understanding of the State’s reason for the execution . . . [and] this understanding is lacking in his case because he believes that, although the State’s purported reason for the execution is his past crimes, the State’s real motivation is to punish him for preaching the Gospel (Ref. 4, pp 817–18).

The Fifth Circuit found Mr. Panetti competent for execution because “‘awareness,’ as that term is used

in *Ford*, is not necessarily synonymous with ‘rational understanding,’ as argued by Panetti” (Ref. 4, p 821). The Supreme Court subsequently granted *certiorari*.⁵

The Court identified the question before it as “whether [Mr. Panetti’s] delusions can be said to render him incompetent” for execution (Ref. 2, p 956). According to the Court, the Fifth Circuit found Mr. Panetti competent because “[f]irst, petitioner is aware that he committed the murders; second, he is aware that he will be executed; and, third, he is aware that the reason the State has given for the execution is his commission of the crimes in question” (Ref. 2, p 956).

Nevertheless, the Court held that “the Court of Appeals’ standard is too restrictive to afford a prisoner the protections granted by the Eighth Amendment” (Ref. 2, pp 956–57). In its decision, the Court criticized the Fifth Circuit for concluding “that its standard foreclosed petitioner from establishing incompetency by . . . showing that his mental illness obstructs a rational understanding of the State’s reason for his execution” (Ref. 2, p 957). As the Court noted, a “prisoner’s awareness of the State’s rationale for an execution is not the same as a rational understanding of it. *Ford* does not foreclose inquiry into the latter” (Ref. 2, p 959). Furthermore, although *Ford* “did not set forth a precise standard for competency” (Ref. 2, p 957), the Court explained that “[t]he beginning of doubt about competence in a case like petitioner’s . . . is a psychotic disorder” (Ref. 2, p 960).

The Court elaborated, writing that “[g]ross delusions stemming from a severe mental disorder may put an awareness of a link between a crime and its punishment in a context so far removed from reality that the punishment can serve no proper purpose” (Ref. 2, p 960). If these delusions influence “the prisoner’s concept of reality [so] that he cannot reach a rational understanding of the reason for the execution,” then they preclude execution (Ref. 2, p 958). As a result, states cannot use “a strict test for competency that treats delusional beliefs as irrelevant once the prisoner is aware the State has identified the link between his crime and the punishment to be inflicted” (Ref. 2, p 960).

In its opinion, the Court cautioned that “[a]lthough we reject the standard followed by the Court of Appeals, we do not attempt to set down a rule governing all competency determinations” (Ref. 2, pp 960–

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61). Nevertheless, the Court observed that “[t]he conclusions of physicians, psychiatrists, and other experts in the field will bear upon the proper analysis. Expert evidence may clarify the extent to which severe delusions may render a subject’s perception of reality so distorted that he should be deemed incompetent” (Ref. 2, p 962).

Madison v. Alabama (2019)

First convicted of capital murder of a police officer in 1985, Vernon Madison spent so much time on death row that he “suffered [several] strokes resulting in significant cognitive and physical decline” (Ref. 6, p 1177). During Mr. Madison’s competency for execution hearing in the trial court, a defense expert testified that:

his strokes caused major vascular disorder (also known as vascular dementia) and related memory impairments and that, as a result, he has no memory of committing the murder—the very act that is the reason for his execution. To the contrary, Mr. Madison does not believe he ever killed anyone (Ref. 6, p 1177).

As a result, pursuant to *Ford* and *Panetti*, Mr. Madison’s defense claimed that he was incompetent to be executed because he lacked “a rational understanding of why the state [was] seeking to execute him” (Ref. 6, p 1177).

In contrast, Alabama’s expert testified that Mr. Madison “was able to accurately discuss his legal appeals and legal theories with his attorneys,” and therefore must rationally understand why he was being executed (Ref. 6, p 1177). The trial court overseeing Mr. Madison’s competency hearing agreed with the State of Alabama, finding Mr. Madison competent for execution. Alabama argued that Mr. Madison was competent for execution because he understood his legal situation and did not display any sign of psychosis or delusions, which the Court had focused on in *Panetti*. In response, Mr. Madison’s writ of *habeas corpus* to the relevant federal district court was denied; thereafter, he appealed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit.

The Eleventh Circuit observed that Mr. Madison qualified as legally blind and had experienced a minimum of two strokes recently (Ref. 6, p 1179). In the aftermath of the first stroke, Mr. Madison regularly requested that someone tell his mother about the stroke, even though she had died several years prior to the incident. After the second stroke, Mr. Madison “reported frequently urinating on himself because ‘no

one will let me out to use the bathroom,’ although he ha[d] a toilet in his cell” (Ref. 6, p 1179). Perhaps most telling, Mr. Madison informed his attorney “that he planned to move to Florida after his release from prison” (Ref. 6, p 1179). On the basis of this evidence, the Eleventh Circuit held that Mr. Madison’s dementia prevented him from “rationally understand[ing] the connection between his crime and his execution” (Ref. 6, p 1186), ruling that “the state court’s decision that Mr. Madison is competent to be executed rested on an unreasonable determination of the facts” (Ref. 6, p 1178) because the state’s expert “never testified that Mr. Madison understands that his execution is connected to the murder he committed” (Ref. 6, p 1187).

In addition, the Eleventh Circuit noted that “the State suggests that only a prisoner suffering from gross delusions can show incompetency under *Panetti*” (Ref. 6, p 1188). Rejecting this argument, the court said that neither *Ford* nor *Panetti* required that “a prisoner must suffer from delusions to be deemed incompetent” (Ref. 6, p 1188). The Eleventh Circuit held that “[a] finding that a man with no memory of what he did wrong has a rational understanding of why he is being put to death is patently unreasonable” (Ref. 6, p 1189). Finally, the Eleventh Circuit determined that, “due to his dementia and related memory impairments, Mr. Madison lacks a rational understanding of the link between his crime and execution” (Ref. 6, p 1190). The state of Alabama appealed this decision to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Pursuant to the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996 (AEDPA), the Supreme Court held in *Dunn v. Madison* (2017)⁷ that “[n]either *Panetti* nor *Ford* ‘clearly established’ that a prisoner is incompetent to be executed because of a failure to remember his commission of the crime” (Ref. 7, pp 11–12). Thus, the question of whether an individual recalls committing a crime is “distinct from a failure to rationally comprehend the concepts of crime and punishment as applied in his case” (Ref. 7, p 12). Mr. Madison, therefore, displayed competency to be executed despite severe memory loss because “he recognizes that he will be put to death as punishment for the murder he was found to have committed” (Ref. 7, p 12). The Court ruled that Mr. Madison’s “claim to federal *habeas* relief must fail” because the appeal was pursuant to the highly deferential standards of the AEDPA. The Court further clarified that “[w]e express no

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view on the merits of the underlying question” in any context other than *habeas corpus* proceedings (Ref. 7, p 12). As a result, the Court reversed the Eleventh Circuit’s decision.

Following the Court’s *Dunn v. Madison* opinion, Mr. Madison’s attorney once again alleged on remand that he was incompetent for execution, but Alabama’s Circuit Court for Mobile County disagreed, scheduling an execution date. The Supreme Court issued a stay of execution on January 25, 2018,⁸ and granted *certiorari* on January 26, 2018.⁹ On February 27, 2019, the Court decided *Madison v. Alabama*,¹⁰ addressing two separate questions: “does the Eighth Amendment forbid execution whenever a prisoner shows that a mental disorder has left him without any memory of committing a crime?”; and “does the Eighth Amendment apply similarly to a prisoner suffering from dementia as to one experiencing psychotic delusions?” (Ref. 10, p 722). In a 5–3 decision written by Justice Kagan, in which Justice Kavanaugh did not participate, the Court held that “a person lacking memory of his crime may yet rationally understand why the State seeks to execute him; if so, the Eighth Amendment poses no bar to his execution” (Ref. 10, p 726). Thus, “[a]ssuming . . . no other cognitive impairment, loss of memory of a crime does not prevent rational understanding of the State’s reasons for resorting to punishment” (Ref. 10, p 727). If memory loss “interacts with other mental shortfalls,” however, and the defendant cannot rationally understand the reason for the punishment, then the defendant is incompetent to be executed (Ref. 10, 727–8). This standard applies to all defendants who have “difficulty preserving any memories, so that even newly gained knowledge (about, say, the crime and punishment) will be quickly forgotten” (Ref. 10, p 728). The same standard also applies “when cognitive deficits prevent the acquisition of such knowledge at all, so that memory gaps go forever uncompensated” (Ref. 10, p 728).

The Court further held that “a person suffering from dementia may be unable to rationally understand the reasons for his sentence; if so, the Eighth Amendment does not allow his execution” (Ref. 10, pp 726–7). According to the Court, the proper standard for determining incompetency for execution is whether “a particular *effect*” exists, specifically, “an inability to rationally understand why the State is seeking execution” (Ref. 10, p 728, *italics in original*). The “precise *cause*” of that effect is irrelevant (Ref. 10, p 728, *italics in original*). It is not the

diagnosis of mental illness, but the consequence of it that governs competency for execution. For this reason, the Court cautioned states against emphasizing a given diagnosis (or its lack) over the “downstream consequence” of that diagnosis (Ref. 10, p 729).

The Court provided additional clarity, writing that “[p]sychosis or dementia, delusions or overall cognitive decline are all the same under *Panetti*, so long as they produce the requisite lack of comprehension” (Ref. 10, p 728). Consistent with this reasoning, “if and when that failure of understanding is present, the rationales kick in—irrespective of whether one disease or another (say, psychotic delusions or dementia) is to blame” (Ref. 10, p 729). As the Court recognized, although many delusions inhibit “the understanding that the Eighth Amendment requires,” some delusions do not (Ref. 10, p 729). Similarly, dementia

can cause such disorientation and cognitive decline as to prevent a person from sustaining a rational understanding of why the State wants to execute him But dementia also has milder forms, which allow a person to preserve that understanding. Hence the need—for dementia as for delusions as for any other mental disorder—to attend to the particular circumstances of a case . . . (Ref. 10, p 729)

In both scenarios, “[w]hat matters is whether a person has the ‘rational understanding’ *Panetti* requires—not whether he has any particular memory or any particular mental illness” (Ref. 10, p 727). This “kind of comprehension is the *Panetti* standard’s singular focus” (Ref. 10, p 727), thus “the sole inquiry for [reviewing] court[s] remains whether the prisoner can rationally understand the reasons for his death sentence” (Ref. 10, p 728). The Court concluded by remanding the case to Alabama’s trial court “for renewed consideration of Madison’s competency (assuming Alabama sets a new execution date)” (Ref. 10, p 731).

Justice Alito wrote the dissent and was joined by Justices Gorsuch and Thomas. According to the dissent, Mr. Madison’s attorney requested *certiorari* to address the issue of whether states can execute defendants who do not remember committing the crime for which they are to be executed. Following the Court’s grant of *certiorari*, however, the dissent alleged that Mr. Madison’s attorney changed tactics by then arguing that Mr. Madison’s dementia prevented him from rationally understanding why he was to be executed. In Justice Alito’s view, the Majority erred by ruling on a question that the Court did not agree to address.

Best Practices for Evaluators

When discussing whether the American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law (AAPL) should oppose executions as a professional organization, Halpern and colleagues called upon AAPL to “tak[e] a stand on vital social issues that are clearly in the public interest” (Ref. 11, p 182). This same principle holds true when it comes to establishing the minimum requirements that professionals should meet in conducting evaluations of defendants’ competency for execution.¹² Absent instruction from professional organizations like AAPL, we recommend that, at a minimum, qualified evaluators must be licensed psychologists, psychiatrists, or physicians in good standing in their profession with extensive experience assessing mental health disorders prior to being considered for appointment as an expert evaluator. This standard mirrors the minimum requirements that legal scholars have proposed for professionals who assess capital defendants for intellectual disability.¹³

Evaluators should meet with the defendant in person¹⁴ for an appropriate length of time^{15,16} when conducting a competency evaluation. What constitutes an appropriate period of time will necessarily vary based on the evaluatee’s mental state. In situations where the evaluatee is too impaired to meaningfully participate in the interview process, interviews may be brief. Other interviews, however, could last several hours. Because the required threshold for establishing competence for execution is relatively low, a single meeting may be sufficient to evaluate defendants who are cognitively intact and not actively displaying symptoms of mental illness. In other, more complex situations involving defendants exhibiting cognitive decline and active symptoms of mental illness, it may be necessary to meet with the defendant on multiple occasions.¹² The evaluations themselves should take place in “a private, distraction-free area,” which may require temporarily moving the defendant off of death row (Ref. 12, p 209), where noise pollution is prevalent.¹⁷

Because competence for execution evaluations require “a strong commitment to . . . the most thorough and detailed evaluation” possible, Radelet and Barnard recommended videotaping all evaluations (Ref. 18, p 46). AAPL, however, has previously declined to endorse “a blanket rule of requiring videotaping in all forensic interviews” (Ref. 19, p 357). Evaluators, therefore,

should educate themselves about the specific videotaping requirements of their associated jurisdictions. If the jurisdiction does not require videotaping, evaluators should rely on their own judgment and personal preferences when deciding whether to videotape evaluations.

In addition to face-to-face interviews, a forensic psychologist recommended that evaluators obtain information from as many of the following sources as possible:

- (1) prison medical records; (2) prison psychiatric records; (3) psychiatric records prior to incarceration; (4) academic records, including prior intellectual testing with raw data; (5) records of past psychological evaluations; (6) any and all videotapes made of the inmate; (7) military or veterans affairs records; (8) records and transcripts of testimony of the inmate; (9) writings or letters of the inmate [within] the prior year; (10) videotapes of the inmate demonstrating bizarre behavior; and (11) art work of the inmate (Ref. 16, p 49).

While this list serves as a useful overview of materials that evaluators may wish to explore, it need not be followed rigidly. Reviewing videotapes featuring the evaluatee is generally good practice, for example, but some videos are likely to prove more relevant than others. Evaluators, therefore, should focus the majority of their attention on recent video footage because this speaks more directly to the evaluatee’s competence to be executed. Similarly, routine surveillance footage may have limited value for ascertaining the evaluatee’s competency for execution. Academic records, including tests conducted, are sometimes a useful piece of information, but they may be less relevant if they are several decades old. Evaluatees’ artwork is also unlikely to be relevant except in a few rare instances.

In light of the Court’s *Madison* ruling, evaluators should pay careful attention to any medical diagnoses or conditions that may render defendants’ ability to formulate a rational understanding of why they are to be executed exceptionally difficult. Per *Madison*, diagnoses themselves are ultimately immaterial, but they may still serve to highlight cases that require closer examination. This topic was raised by the *Panetti* Court, in which it instructed that the presence of psychosis indicated the need to thoroughly evaluate defendants for incompetency. According to the Court, neither medical nor psychological diagnoses automatically qualify defendants as incompetent to be executed. Nevertheless, these labels may reasonably be construed as a crude screening tool signaling “[t]he beginning of doubt about competence” (Ref.

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2, p 960). The same is true for major medical events like strokes, such as Mr. Madison experienced. The broader significance of *Madison*, therefore, is that the Court recognized that defendants' medical histories may directly influence their ability to rationally understand why they are to be executed, although specific diagnoses themselves are insufficient to establish incompetency. As a result, evaluators should be sure to review relevant medical records and construct a detailed medical history whenever possible.

Finally, evaluators should engage in serious self-reflection before participating in the treatment or reevaluation of incompetent capital defendants given that successful treatment exposes the evaluatee to death via execution.^{18,20} Evans²¹ argued that these behaviors constitute "the fringe of what the profession has defined as ethical conduct" (Ref. 21, p 264), although this sentiment is not shared universally.²² Radelet and Barnard²³ recommended that states protect evaluators from "the ethical dilemma created by the demand to treat prisoners so that they can be executed" by passing legislation permanently commuting incompetent defendants' death sentences to life imprisonment without possibility of parole (Ref. 23, p 306).

In conclusion, while the *Madison* Court preserved a broad interpretation of the category of persons who may qualify as incompetent for execution, the Court declined to address a number of related concerns surrounding competency evaluations. In the absence of guidance from the Court, professional organizations such as AAPL may wish to take the advice of Halpern and colleagues¹¹ and play a more prominent role by engaging in the debate. As a first step, we recommend that AAPL create a minimum set of standards that individuals must meet before they qualify to conduct evaluations of competency to be executed.

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ARIZONA SUPREME COURT

STATE OF ARIZONA,

Appellee,

v.

CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON,

Appellant.

LESLIE JAMES,

Crime Victim.

Arizona Supreme Court

No. CV-22-0117-AP

Maricopa County Superior Court

No. CR-2002-019595

Pinal County Superior Court

No. S1100CR202200692

Arizona Supreme Court

No. CR-08-0025-AP

**CRIME VICTIM'S RESPONSE
TO PETITION FOR SPECIAL
ACTION PURSUANT TO A.R.S. §
13-4022(I).**

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Crime Victim, Leslie James, by and through undersigned counsel, respectfully submits this *Response* to Inmate Dixon's *Petition for Special Action Pursuant to A.R.S. § 13-4022(I)*. Ms. James does not address Petitioner's arguments on the merits as the State has done. Rather, Ms. James asks this Court to consider her constitutional rights to justice and due process and to a "prompt and final conclusion of the case after the conviction and sentence." Ariz. Const. art. II, § 2.1(A)(10).

I. Relevant Facts

Ms. James is the sister and only surviving family member, with legal standing as a victim, of Deana Bowdoin. Deana Bowdoin was raped and murdered in January 1978, in the apartment she lived in while attending Arizona State University, by the petitioner. A.R.S. § 13-4401.19; *State v. Dixon*, 226 Ariz. 545, 548 (Ariz. 2011). After Deana's murder, the petitioner remained free for a number of years to rape and terrorize other women. Twenty-five years went by, giving the petitioner the benefit of time, before being held accountable for Deana's murder. Despite being indicted in 2002, the petitioner's trial did not start until late 2007. In January 2008, he was convicted and sentenced to death. *Dixon* at 549. It took more than twelve years, from the time of sentencing, for his appellate remedies to be exhausted. Nearly two years have now passed since the United States Supreme Court denied his *Petition for a Writ of Certiorari* on May 26, 2020.

In totality, more than forty-four years have now passed since Ms. James' only

sister and only sibling was murdered. Ms. James was in her twenties at the time of Deana's murder; she is now in her late sixties and is still seeking a close to the criminal proceedings—one that can only come through the imposition of punishment. In considering the petitioner's request for relief and the response filed by the State, Ms. James respectfully requests this Court consider her constitutional right to a prompt and final conclusion of the petitioner's criminal proceedings.

II. Argument¹

Arizona's Victims' Bill of Rights (VBR) is intended to preserve and protect victims' rights to justice and due process. Ariz. Const. art. II, § 2.1(A). For these fundamental rights to be protected, a victim has a constitutional right to a "...prompt and final conclusion of the case after the conviction and sentence." Ariz. Const. art. II, § 2.1(A)(10). This express language of our VBR recognizes the harm caused by undue delay. Arizona's courts are required to consider not only the speedy trial rights of the accused, but also to account for the crime victim's rights to reasonable finality. *Dixon* at 555 ("In rejecting Dixon's final continuance request, the trial court appropriately considered not only Dixon's interests, but also the rights of Deana's

¹ Ms. James has presented the same argument to this Court on January 26, 2022 in CR-08-0025-AP. She incorporated the January 26, 2022 filing by reference in a March 16, 2022 filing, also in CR-08-0025-AP. Ms. James intends to be respectful of this Court's time and is aware this Court has seen and considered these arguments previously. However, Ms. James does present the same arguments here as this case has been assigned a different case number.

parents, the crime victims”). This Court has been clear that a victim’s constitutional right to finality warrants protection. *See also Fitzgerald v. Myers*, 243 Ariz. 84, 92 (2017) (noting any stay ordered in a PCR matter in a capital case should be limited in duration and scope to protect victims’ constitutional right to finality); *State v. Gates*, 243 Ariz. 451 (2018) (noting when making a post-waiver ID determination in a capital case, the trial court must consider whether ordering the evaluation would prejudice the victims by implicating their constitutional right to a speedy trial and a prompt and final conclusion of the case). Arizona’s Constitution gives crime victims a fundamental right not to be victimized a second time by an unending criminal justice process.

In the underlying criminal proceedings, the petitioner’s competency has been at issue numerous times, but the result has been the same. *State’s Petition for Special Action* at 10, CV-22-0092-SA. The petitioner is competent. Undoubtedly, a finding that he is not competent will spare him from his May 11, 2022 execution and every attempt has been made and continues to be made to do just that. Ms. James, however, will be left still waiting for a prompt and final conclusion of this case.

Ms. James has a compelling interest in finality as it is essential to her emotional healing and recovery. The murder of a loved one causes significant psychological implications conceptualized within a post-traumatic stress disorder (“PTSD”) framework, the most consistently documented consequence of violent

crime. Heidi M. Zinzow, et al., *Examining Posttraumatic Stress Symptoms in a National Sample of Homicide Survivors: Prevalence and Comparison to Other Violence Victims*, 24 J. Traum. Stress 743 (December 2011); Jim Parsons & Tiffany Bergin, *The Impact of Criminal Justice Involvement on Victims' Mental Health*, 23 J. Traum. Stress 182 (2010); Dean G. Kilpatrick & Ron Acierno, *Mental Health Needs of Crime Victims: Epidemiology and Outcomes*, 16 J. Traum. Stress 119 (2003); Patricia A. Resick, *The Psychological Impact of Rape*, 8 J. Interpersonal Violence 223, 225 (1993). Victims of all types of violent crime can experience PTSD or various symptom clusters, but homicide survivors are twice as likely to meet the criteria for PTSD and report more symptoms of PTSD than victims of other types of trauma. Zinzow at 744. The high prevalence of PTSD in homicide survivors may be partially due to the fact that survivors are forced to cope not only with the loss of a loved one, but also the sudden and violent nature of their death. Zinzow at 744, citing Angelynne Amick-McMullan, et al., *Family Survivors of Homicide Victims: Theoretical Perspectives and an Exploratory Study*, 2 J. Traum. Stress 21, 35 (1989). Studies also suggest a connection between initial victimization and later depression, substance abuse, panic disorder, agoraphobia, social phobia, obsessive-compulsive disorder, and even suicide. Parsons & Bergin at 182.

The criminal justice system often overlooks the effects that delayed judicial proceedings, as well as delays in the imposition of punishment, have on victims. A

prolonged experience in the criminal justice system adds to the intense and painful consequences of initial victimization. *Id.* at 182-183; see also Judith Lewis Herman, *The Mental Health of Crime Victims: Impact of Legal Intervention*, 16 J. Traum. Stress 159, 159 (2003). Secondary victimization often causes more harm than the initial criminal act. Uli Orth, *Secondary Victimization of Crime Victims by Criminal Proceedings*, 15 Soc. Just. Res. 313, 321 (2002). A victim's experience with the justice system often "means the difference between a healing experience and one that exacerbates the initial trauma." Parsons & Bergin at 182. For example, one study examining the effect of offender punishment on crime victim recovery found that most victims experienced improved recovery when there was an increased perceived punishment of the offender. Dr. Joel H. Hammer, *The Effect of Offender Punishment on Crime Victim's Recovery and Perceived Fairness (Equity) and Process Control*, University Microfilms International 87, Ann Arbor, MI (1989).

Timely resolution is essential to victim recovery. *Id.* The emotional harm caused by a prolonged process is severe in murder cases, such as this, where the delay between the offense in 1978 and the imposition of punishment has spanned more than forty-four years. Arizona, however, through the VBR and implementing statutes, seeks to minimize the traumatic impact of murder on victims by enumerating rights intended to preserve and protect victims' rights to justice and due process. Ariz. Const. Art. II, § 2.1; Gessner H. Harrison, *The Good, The Bad, and*

The Ugly: Arizona's Courts and the Crime Victims' Bill of Rights, 34 Ariz. St. L.J. 531, 531–32 (2002). Most relevant here is that the VBR gives victims an express right “[t]o a speedy trial or disposition and prompt and final conclusion of the case after the conviction and sentence.” Ariz. Const. Art. II, § 2.1(A)(10).

III. Conclusion

For the reasons set forth above, Ms. James respectfully requests this Court consider her constitutional rights to justice and due process and to a “prompt and final conclusion of the case after the conviction and sentence.” Ariz. Const. art. II, § 2.1(A)(10). Further, Ms. James requests this Court deny the relief requested by the petitioner.

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CLARENCE WAYNE DIXON,

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v.

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County of Pinal,

Respondent Judge,

STATE OF ARIZONA,

Real Party in Interest.

No. CR-08-0025-AP

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THE STATE OF ARIZONA'S RESPONSE TO PETITION FOR SPECIAL ACTION

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INTRODUCTION

Forty-four years ago, Petitioner Clarence Dixon raped and murdered Deana Bowdoin, a 21-year-old Arizona State University senior, in her apartment. The murder remained unsolved for decades until Dixon was tied to it through DNA evidence. In 2008 a jury convicted Dixon of first-degree murder and sentenced him to death.

Throughout the ensuing PCR and federal habeas proceedings, his attorneys argued that Dixon's focus on a legal challenge to his 1985 sexual assault conviction, which resulted in his DNA later being collected and ultimately matched to the 1978 murder, showed that he had been incompetent to waive his right to counsel and represent himself at his trial. But at every stage of PCR and federal review, the state and federal courts found that Dixon's focus on that legal challenge, though untenable, did not demonstrate a lack of competence.

After this court issued a warrant of execution and set an execution date of May 11, 2022, Dixon filed in the Pinal County Superior Court a request for determination of his competency to be executed, based almost entirely on the same assertion—that Dixon's focus on the purported flaws in his 1985 case, which was not enough to establish incompetency to waive counsel, nonetheless demonstrates that he lacks a rational understanding of the State's rationale for executing him.

The Pinal County Superior Court granted Dixon's request and held an evidentiary hearing regarding his competency to be executed on May 3, 2022. But just as Dixon failed to demonstrate that he was incompetent to waive counsel, he failed in the evidentiary hearing to establish that he is incompetent to be executed. The Superior Court did not abuse its discretion in finding that Dixon failed to meet his burden that his incompetent to be executed. This Court should deny review.

I. Issue presented for review.

1. Did the Superior Court abuse its discretion in finding Petitioner competent to be executed?
2. Whether Petitioner's mental state is so distorted by a mental illness that he lacks a rational understanding of the State's rationale for his execution?

II. Jurisdictional statement.

This Court has jurisdiction under A.R.S. § 13-4022(I).

III. Material facts.

A. Pertinent facts and procedural history prior to the evidentiary hearing to determine Dixon's competency to be executed.

In June 1977, Dixon struck a teenage girl with a metal pipe and was charged with assault with a deadly weapon. *Dixon v. Ryan (Dixon IV)*, 932 F.3d 789, 796

(9th Cir. 2019). Two court-appointed psychiatrists determined that Dixon was not competent to stand trial under Rule 11, noting his schizophrenia and depression. *Id.* After restoration proceedings, Dixon waived his right to a jury trial, and the trial court found him not guilty by reason of insanity. *Id.* Dixon was released pending civil proceedings on January 5, 1978. *Id.*

The next day, Deana Bowdoin, a 21-year-old ASU student, was found dead in her apartment. *State v. Dixon (Dixon II)*, 226 Ariz. 545, 548, ¶¶ 2–3 (2011). She had been strangled with a belt and stabbed. *Id.* Investigators found semen on Deana’s underwear but were unable to match the resulting DNA profile to any suspect. *Id.*

In 1985, Dixon violently sexually assaulted a 20-year-old student near the NAU campus in Flagstaff. *State v. Dixon (Dixon I)*, 153 Ariz. 151, 152 (1987). The NAU police played a significant role in developing the evidence that resulted in Dixon’s arrest and conviction for that crime. The NAU police were called when the victim returned to her dorm after the assault. *Id.* The victim gave a statement to an NAU police officer, and the NAU police broadcast an “attempt to locate” call based on the description of Dixon the victim provided. *Id.* Dixon was ultimately arrested by a Flagstaff Police Officer who heard the attempt to locate call. *Id.*

Following Dixon’s arrest, Officer Bolson of the NAU Police Department showed the victim a photographic lineup in which she identified Dixon. *Id.* at 153.

The NAU officer then allowed the victim to view Dixon through a window, and she once again identified him as her assailant. *Id.* at 153–54. Dixon was convicted of seven felony offenses and sentenced to multiple life sentences. *Id.* at 152.

In 2001, a Tempe Police detective checked the DNA profile from the semen on Deana Bowdoin’s underwear and found that it matched that of Dixon, whose DNA profile was in a national database as a result of his 1985 convictions. *Dixon II*, 226 Ariz. at 548, ¶ 4; *Dixon IV*, 932 F.3d at 796. Dixon had lived across the street from Deana at the time of the murder, and her friends and family knew of no previous contact between them. *Dixon II*, 226 Ariz. at 548–49, ¶ 4.

Dixon was charged with first degree murder. *Dixon II*, 226 Ariz. at 549, ¶ 5. Before trial, Dixon sought to represent himself because his appointed counsel would not file a motion he requested them to file. *Dixon IV*, 932 F.3d at 797. The legal theory Dixon sought to pursue was that “the DNA evidence linking Dixon to [Deana’s] murder should be suppressed as fruit of the poisonous tree because it was obtained in connection with his 1985 assault conviction. The 1985 conviction itself was invalid, Dixon believed, because the campus police lacked the authority to investigate.” *Id.*; see also *Dixon v. Ryan (Dixon III)*, 2016 WL 1045355, *5 (D. Ariz. March 16, 2016) (“This issue involved Dixon’s theory that NAU officers lacked the statutory authority to investigate the case; therefore, according to Dixon, his prior conviction was ‘fundamentally flawed’ and the DNA comparison made

pursuant to his invalid conviction should be suppressed.”). After conducting a colloquy with Dixon, the trial court found that Dixon “knowingly, intelligently, and voluntarily waived” his right to counsel, and Dixon represented himself at trial. *Dixon IV*, 932 F.3d at 797–98.

Dixon was convicted of first-degree murder and sentenced to death. *Dixon II*, 226 Ariz. at 549, ¶ 5. Throughout the ensuing years, Dixon argued that his “perseveration” on the DNA suppression issue regarding the NAU police, in addition to his 1977 Rule 11 proceedings and 1978 not guilty by reason of insanity verdict, showed his lack of competency to waive counsel. The state and federal courts uniformly rejected these challenges. In Dixon’s PCR proceeding, the postconviction judge, who had presided over Dixon’s trial, noted that Dixon’s “thoughts and actions” throughout the trial proceedings “demonstrated coherent and rational behavior.” *Dixon III*, 2016 WL 1045355, at *12. This Court denied review of that decision.

In its 2019 opinion, the Ninth Circuit found that because Dixon’s competency and mental health were not at issue with respect to the 1985 assault and resulting conviction, “[t]he 1977 evaluations and the 1978 not guilty by reason of insanity verdict thus shed little light on Dixon’s competence at the time he chose to waive counsel in 2006.” *Dixon IV*, 932 F.3d at 803. The court noted that the record in his capital case contained “no evidence of competency issues at any time

throughout the course of these proceedings,” and that the record demonstrated that at the time Dixon sought to represent himself he “understood the charges against him and the potential sentences, he was able to articulate his legal positions and respond to questions with appropriate answers, and that Dixon demonstrated rational behavior.” *Id.* Significantly, the court stated that Dixon’s interest in the DNA suppression issue “was not so bizarre or obscure as to suggest that Dixon lacked competence.” *Id.*

The district court had likewise concluded that “Dixon’s obsession with the NAU suppression motion was not so bizarre as to suggest incompetence,” citing numerous decisions reaching that same conclusion with regard to other criminal defendants:

“Criminal defendants often insist on asserting defenses with little basis in the law, particularly where, as here, there is substantial evidence of their guilt,” but “adherence to bizarre legal theories” does not imply incompetence. *United States v. Jonassen*, 759 F.3d 653, 660 (7th Cir. 2014) (noting defendant’s “persistent assertion of a sovereign-citizen defense”); see *United States v. Kerr*, 752 F.3d 206, 217–18 (2d Cir.), *as amended* (June 18, 2014) (“Kerr’s obsession with his defensive theories, his distrust of his attorneys, and his belligerent attitude were also not so bizarre as to require the district court to question his competency for a second time.”). “[P]ersons of unquestioned competence have espoused ludicrous legal positions,” *United States v. James*, 328 F.3d 953, 955 (7th Cir. 2003), “but the articulation of unusual legal beliefs is a far cry from incompetence.” *United States v. Alden*, 527 F.3d 653, 659–60 (7th Cir. 2008) (explaining that defendant’s “obsession with irrelevant issues and his paranoia and distrust of the criminal justice system” did not imply mental shortcomings requiring a competence hearing).

Dixon III, 2016 WL 1045355 at *9.

On April 5, 2022, upon the State’s motion and after Dixon concluded his direct appeal, first postconviction relief, and federal habeas corpus proceedings, this Court issued a warrant of execution setting an execution date of May 11, 2022. On April 9, 2022, Dixon filed a motion for determination of competency under A.R.S. § 13–4022. Pet. AppV1 13. The Superior Court granted his request on the same day, finding that Dixon’s motion “satisfies the minimum required showing that reasonable grounds exist for the requested examination and hearing, within the meaning of A.R.S. § 13–4022(C) and as otherwise required by *Ford v. Wainwright*,” and set an evidentiary hearing. Pet. AppV1 26–27. Respondents petitioned this Court for special action relief from the Superior Court’s grant of an evidentiary hearing, and, after the matter was fully briefed by the parties, this Court remanded the matter to the Superior Court with instructions to “reconsider its ruling in light of the response and reply” filed by the parties. Order, No. CV-22-0092-SA, *State v. Hon. Robert Carter Olson* (Ariz. April 25, 2022), Doc.

10. On April 27, 2022, the Superior Court affirmed its grant of an evidentiary hearing. AppV1 29–32.¹

B. Competency evidentiary hearing.

At the evidentiary hearing conducted on May 3, 2022, the Superior Court heard testimony from Dr. Amezcua-Patino and Dr. Vega, both of whom evaluated Petitioner to determine whether he is competent to be executed. The Superior Court also received 39 exhibits admitted into evidence, including the relevant reports of Dr. Amezcua-Patino and Dr. Vega. AppV1 33–37.

Dr. Amezcua-Patino diagnosed Dixon with schizophrenia, but conceded during his testimony that Dixon’s schizophrenia diagnosis does not mean that he is incompetent to be executed. AppV1 at 72–73; AppV1 at 150. Dr. Amezcua-Patino further testified that Dixon has a history in which he “manifested schizophrenia-like symptoms, in particular, paranoia and some behaviors that may be perceived as being asocial or antisocial.” AppV1 at 89. Dr. Amezcua-Patino also agreed that Dixon knows the fact that the State intends to execute him for the murder of Ms.

¹ Though, in the interest of efficiency, the State did not challenge this ruling under A.R.S. § 13–4022(I), it does not concede that Dixon’s motion for determination of competency met the required threshold of showing “reasonable grounds” for a competency examination under A.R.S. § 13–4022(C).

Bowdoin. AppV1 at 143. Dr. Amezcua-Patino opined that: (1) Dixon “holds a fixed delusional belief that his incarceration, conviction, and forthcoming execution stem from his wrongful arrest by the NAU police in 1985”, AppV1 at 263; (2) Dixon is incompetent to be executed because he is “unable to rationally understand why he has not obtained relief on” his legal claims regarding DNA suppression, and he reports that he believes the courts have denied his legal claims because they fear embarrassment, AppV1 at 101–102; and (3) Dixon believes this fear of embarrassment is the reason the State seeks to execute him, AppV1 at 100. When asked by the Superior Court why he concludes that Dixon’s legal theories are delusional, Dr. Amezcua-Patino stated that Dixon’s schizophrenia diagnosis “in itself raises a probability of delusional thinking.” AppV1 at 143–150

Dr. Vega testified that during his evaluation on April 23, 2022, Dixon was very cordial and easy to understand. AppV1 at 163. Dr. Vega remarked that Dixon is “obviously an average to above average intellect. His verbal intelligence is quite high” *Id.* at 165. Dr. Vega further found that Dixon’s comments about politics during the interview showed that Dixon “has a very good grasp of reality.” *Id.* at 166. Dr. Vega further found that Dixon did not show symptoms of being delusional during his interview. *Id.* at 167. When Dr. Vega inquired about Dixon’s legal theories involving the suppression of DNA evidence, Dixon stated that his DNA was at the murder scene and he was “not denying the evidence.” AppV3 at

42; AppV1 at 169–170. However, Dixon reported that he did not remember committing the murder, suggesting that he may have had an alcohol-induced blackout at the time of the offense. AppV3 at 43; AppV1 at 169–170. Dixon further indicated that he didn’t think it would be fair to be put to death for something he doesn’t remember doing. AppV1 at 170. Dixon also stated that if he murdered the victim, then perhaps he deserved the death penalty, adding, “[B]ut if I was in another state, they wouldn’t be killing me...” AppV3 at 42.

When Dr. Vega asked Dixon how he would feel if he were to have a memory of having killed the victim, Dixon stated that he would feel a sense of relief on his way to his execution. AppV1 at 170; AppV3 at 42. Dr. Vega further explained that Dixon is convinced that the DNA evidence obtained from the 1985 sexual assault that eventually tied him to the murder was unlawfully obtained, and therefore Dixon does not believe he should be executed “because of the fact that they have obtained something that is illegally obtained....” AppV1 at 170–171. Dr. Vega further opined that Dixon’s belief that his legal challenges are valid is an aspect of his narcissistic personality, but that Dixon was not delusional in continuing to raise his challenges although the claims had a low probability of success. *Id.* at 171–172.

Dr. Vega opined that Dixon has antisocial personality disorder with empowerment and narcissistic features. *Id.* at 193. Dr. Vega stated that Dixon’s

history of repeated criminal and maladaptive behavior is “pretty good evidence” of antisocial personality disorder. *Id.* at 218. When challenged about his diagnosis of antisocial personality disorder, Dr. Vega stated that the DSM is a “guide” and he rendered his diagnosis using his clinical judgment. *Id.* at 220; *id.* at 238; *id.* at 172–73.

Dr. Vega concluded that even if Dixon’s reported belief that the courts have rejected his claims because they fear embarrassment is the product of delusional thinking, it does not prevent him from rationally understanding the State’s reason for his execution, because Dixon rationally understands the “connection” between the murder and his execution. *Id.* at 174–75. Furthermore, Dr. Vega opined that Dixon “wants to do everything that he can in order to see whether there is a possibility that [the courts] would accept his position and not execute him,” and therefore Dixon “absolutely understands the connection” between his murder and the execution. *Id.* at 237–239.

Argument.

Special-action review is highly discretionary and available to address only three questions including, as relevant here, whether the Respondent Judge’s determination was arbitrary and capricious or an abuse of discretion. Ariz. R. P. Spec. Actions 3(c). In reviewing the superior court’s order in the context of a special action, this Court must find that the superior court abused its discretion or

exceeded its jurisdiction or legal authority before granting relief. *Id.*; *Twin City Fire Ins. Co. v. Burke*, 204 Ariz. 251, 253. ¶ 10 (2003); *see also State v. Glassel*, 211 Ariz. 33, 44, ¶ 27 (2005) (trial court’s finding of competency is reviewed for abuse of discretion). This Court “must determine whether reasonable evidence supports the [superior] court’s finding that the defendant was competent, considering the facts in the light most favorable to sustaining the trial court’s finding.” *Glassel*, 211 Ariz. at 44, ¶ 27. Under an abuse-of-discretion review, this Court must “uphold a decision if there is any reasonable evidence in the record to sustain it.” *State v. Martinez*, 230 Ariz. 208, 221, ¶ 69 (2012).

C. This Court should decline jurisdiction and find that Respondent Judge neither abused his discretion nor exceeded his authority in finding Dixon competent to be executed. Contrary to Petitioner’s assertion, the Superior Court’s factual findings are not clearly erroneous. Pet. Spec. Action at 3. Nor did the Superior Court misapply the standard under *Panetti*. *Id.* The Superior Court’s decision is supported by the evidence.

Dixon argues that the Superior Court’s “decision is irreconcilable with uncontroverted medical evidence in the record” and that the court erred when it found that Dixon engages in only “arguably delusional thinking.” Pet. at 27–28. Dixon further argues that the Superior Court made erroneous factual findings not supported by the record. *Id.* at 28. Dixon’s arguments fail.

Dixon contends that his schizophrenia and the “delusions that contaminate his thought process prevent him from understanding that his going to be executed”

for the murder of Ms. Bowdoin, and “instead lead him to believe that government actors” want to execute him because they don’t want to be embarrassed. Pet. at 26. The evidence presented at the competency hearing does not support this contention. First, Dixon contradicted the basis for this assertion to Dr. Amezcua-Patino during his interview on March 10, 2022:

When questioned about the judicial system’s rationale for denying his claims, [Dixon] stated that he did not think the judges, attorneys for the state, or his own attorneys were plotting against him, but stated his belief that they are, “Not against me but have a firm and decided philosophy that the law enforcement should always be backed up.”

AppV1 at. 35; AppV1 at 142. Thus, Dixon’s reported “belief” that the rationale for the state’s execution is to avoid embarrassment could be a lie. The accusations he has made against judges and other actors in the criminal justice system could be a result of Dixon’s obstinance, anger, and frustration toward his claims being repeatedly denied. With respect to this issue, Dr. Vega opined that Dixon believes “he is right – he is fixated on the fact that he is right and [the courts are] wrong,” but that Dixon’s belief is not a delusion. AppV1 at 199. As Dr. Vega concluded, even if Dixon believes that his legal claims have been denied because the courts want to avoid embarrassment, this belief does not render Dixon incapable of rationally understanding that the State intends to execute him for the murder. Dr. Amezcua-Patino stated clearly that Dixon’s schizophrenia – which involves

symptoms of delusional thinking – does not in and of itself render Dixon incompetent to be executed. AppV1 at 72-73; AppV1 at 150.

Dixon’s argument that the Superior Court erred in finding some of Dr. Vega’s opinions “persuasive” is without merit. Pet. at 30. In its order the Superior Court cited to Dixon’s statement that he would feel a sense of relief at the time of his execution if he had a memory of killing the victim as insight into Dixon’s rational understanding of the State’s rationale for his execution. AppV1 at 36. However, the Superior Court did not make a finding that Dixon has antisocial personality disorder as diagnosed by Dr. Vega. Thus, Dixon’s arguments regarding the reliability of Dr. Vega’s diagnostic impressions do not support the argument that the Superior Court abused its discretion. In any event, Dr. Vega testified that he used his clinical judgment in rendering his diagnoses. Furthermore, Dixon’s retained expert conceded that Dixon’s schizophrenia diagnosis does not by itself mean that he is incompetent to be executed. Therefore, Dr. Vega’s opinion that Dixon is not schizophrenic does not undermine his conclusion that Dixon is competent to be executed. The Superior Court did not abuse its discretion.

D. The Superior Court did not misapply *Panetti*.

Dixon also argues that the Superior Court failed to properly apply the *Panetti* standard. Pet. at 32. Dixon’s argument fails; the Superior Court properly applied *Panetti*’s standard for competency to be executed.

At the hearing, Dixon presented no evidence or suggestion of “gross delusions stemming from extreme psychosis” like the prisoners in *Panetti* and *Ford*, nor does his proffered evidence suggest that he is “so wracked by mental illness that he cannot comprehend the meaning and purpose of the punishment.” *Madison*, 139 S. Ct. at 723 (quotations omitted). The prisoner in *Ford*, for example, believed in murder conspiracies involving prison guards and the KKK, that his relatives and national leaders were being held hostage, tortured, and sexually abused in the prison, that he was the pope and had appointed justices to the state supreme court, that he would not be executed because he could control the governor through mind waves, and ultimately regressed into “nearly complete incomprehensibility.” *Ford*, 477 U.S. at 402–03. The prisoner in *Panetti* had experienced numerous prior psychotic episodes, including one in which he became convinced the devil possessed his home and engaged in various “rituals” to “cleanse” it, had been prescribed high dosages of psychiatric medications, and exhibited “bizarre,” “scary,” and “trance-like” at trial. 551 U.S. at 936.

Dixon, in contrast, is a serial predator of young women, who violently assaulted a teenager girl in 1977, murdered ASU student Deana Bowdoin the day after his release from custody in 1978, and in 1985, having so far having avoided consequences for the murder, violently sexually assaulted an NAU student. *See Dixon IV*, 932 F.3d at 796. His only purported “delusion” is his belief that a faulty

legal argument will result in suppression of the DNA evidence in his case and thus invalidate his conviction and death sentence, and that the courts have denied his claims because they fear embarrassment. And, in light of Dixon's contradictory statements, the Superior Court did not abuse its discretion in finding that Dixon's reported "delusion" did not render him incapable of rationally understanding the State's rationale for executing him.

"Criminal defendants often insist on asserting defenses with little basis in the law, particularly where, as here, there is substantial evidence of their guilt," but "adherence to bizarre legal theories, whether they are 'sincerely held' or 'advanced only to annoy the other side,' does not 'imply mental instability or concrete intellect ... so deficient that trial is impossible.'" *United States v. Jonassen*, 759 F.3d 653, 660 (7th Cir. 2014) (quoting *United States v. James*, 328 F.3d 953, 955 (7th Cir. 2003)). Likewise, Dixon's adherence to a faulty legal theory, regardless whether his expert characterizes it as a "delusion," fails to meet his burden that he is incompetent to be executed under *Ford/Panetti*. On the contrary, it shows a rational understanding of not only why he is to be executed, but a way to undermine the conviction for which he is to be executed. Dixon's efforts to undermine the conviction show that he rationally understands the relationship between his arrest and conviction of the 1985 sexual assault and the murder of the victim. Dixon rationally understands that if his murder conviction and death

sentence remain intact, the State will execute him for the murder. *See, e.g., Dixon IV*, 932 F.3d at 797 (“Dixon believed that the DNA evidence linking Dixon to the murder should be suppressed as fruit of the poisonous tree because it was obtained in connection with his 1985 assault conviction. The 1985 conviction itself was invalid, Dixon believed, because the campus police lacked the authority to investigate.”).

Contrary to Dixon’s argument, the Superior Court did not misapply *Panetti* by considering Dixon’s statements that showed that he is aware that the State intends to execute him for Deana Bowdoin’s murder. The numerous statements Dixon made in which he ties his pending execution to the murder of the victim are relevant to the *Panetti* analysis. Similarly, the rational, sophisticated, organized, and coherent thinking that Dixon displayed in his various pleadings are relevant as to whether Dixon has a rational understanding of the State’s rationale for executing him. Moreover, the Superior Court’s rejection of the assertion that Dixon’s mental illness renders him incapable of rationally understanding the State’s rationale for executing him was supported by the evidence. Dixon’s belief that the courts have denied his legal claims to avoid embarrassment is not proof that Dixon is incapable of understanding that his forthcoming execution is the result of his conviction for Deana Bowdoin’s murder. Dixon’s continual efforts to undermine the conviction – and ultimately, the DNA evidence that led to his conviction and death sentence for

first-degree murder – show that, despite Dixon’s mental illness, he rationally understands that the State intends to execute him as punishment for murder. The Superior Court did not abuse its discretion.

IV. Conclusion.

For all the foregoing reasons, the State respectfully requests that this Court deny review.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 8th day of May, 2022.

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O R D E R

The Court has considered the Petition for Special Action Pursuant to A.R.S. § 13-4022(I) and Appendices filed by Clarence Wayne Dixon, the State's Response, and the Crime Victim's Response. Upon consideration,

IT IS ORDERED that the Court declines to accept jurisdiction of the Petition for Special Action.

DATED this 9th day of May, 2022.

For the Court:

/s/
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Chief Justice

Justice Lopez and Justice Beene did not participate in the determination of this matter.

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